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# **282nd Annual Town Report**



## **STRATHAM**

### **New Hampshire**

*For the year Ending  
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## GENERAL INFORMATION FOR THE TOWN OF STRATHAM

### TELEPHONE NUMBERS: (\* denotes an emergency number)

Fire Department (to report fire).....	911*
EMS Emergency Number (ambulance).....	911*
Fire House business number (not to report fire).....	772-9756
Fire Chief.....	772-8215
Police Department (emergency number).....	911*
Police Department (business number).....	778-9691
Town Clerk/Tax Collector.....	772-4741
Selectmen's Office/Town Administrator.....	772-7391
Highway Department.....	772-5550
Building Inspector/C.E.O.....	772-7391
Wiggin Memorial Library.....	772-4346
Historical Society.....	778-0434
Stratham Memorial School.....	772-5413
Recreation Commission (Mike Maskwa).....	778-2318

### TOWN OFFICE HOURS:

Monday: 8:30 am to 6:00 pm (closed holidays)  
Tuesday through Friday: 8:30 am to 4:00 pm (closed holidays)

### HISTORICAL SOCIETY HOURS:

Tuesdays 9am-11:30am; Thursdays 2pm- 4pm; 1st Sunday of month 2pm-4pm

### STRATHAM TRANSFER STATION HOURS:

Saturdays only 9am - 4pm (winter - November - April, 1st and 3rd Saturdays)

### MEETINGS:

Selectmen's Meetings: Mondays 7:30 pm (except legal holidays)

Volunteer Fire Department: 1st & 3rd Tuesdays 8 pm  
2nd & 4th Tuesdays Training  
4th Tuesday - EMS Training

Planning Board: 1st Wednesday of month - worksession 7:30 pm  
3rd Wednesday of month - Public Hearing 7:30 pm

Board of Adjustment: Upon Request

Code Enforcement Officer/Building Inspector: Monday - Friday 9am - 12 noon

Fair Committee: Last Wednesday of Month 7:30 pm at Fire House

Trash & Recycling Collection: Thursday & Friday curbside 7 am

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**ANNUAL REPORT  
of the  
TOWN OF STRATHAM  
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Selectmen, Town Clerk, Tax Collector,  
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**DEDICATED TO  
JOYCE A. ROWE**

The 1998 Stratham Town Report is gratefully dedicated to Joyce A. Rowe in appreciation for her 30+ years of service as Town Clerk and Tax Collector.

Joyce has lived most of her life within the Town and during those years she has been: a devoted daughter; a caring mother, raising six children with the help of her husband, Chris; and a dedicated worker in performing her duties as Town Clerk and Tax Collector.

Joyce has served with distinction in her capacity as Town Clerk and Tax Collector. She has seen dramatic change in the methods of operation ranging from early manual ledger books to the current computerized systems that she installed. During Joyce's career she performed numerous other tasks such as Manager of the Town Office, Secretary to the Board of Selectmen, Town Information Center and "pillar" of the community.

Joyce is a member of the Ladies Auxiliary of Stratham Volunteer Fire Department, and has been an active participant with the Stratham Fair. Joyce is currently serving as Clerk to the Exeter Region Cooperative School District. Joyce was a former President of the NH Town Clerk's Association, and a former County Coordinator for the NH Tax Collector's Association.

During the past year, Joyce resigned her position in order to devote her energies to helping her parents in their time of need. Although a loss to the Town, a devoted daughter could do no less. While Joyce's absence from the Town Offices will be deeply missed, we look forward to her continued presence and activities within the Town.



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**IN REMEMBRANCE  
OF  
GEORGE BROWN  
LAWRENCE DOWLING**

We would like to take a moment to reflect on the passing of two individuals this past year who were instrumental in the Town's future.

George Brown became a resident of Stratham in 1952. Not long afterwards, he became active within the community notably as a member and later President of the PTA. George was also very active in the Stratham Community Church. Through his long time employment with the US Department of Agriculture, George was deeply involved in the construction of many of the farm ponds throughout the region as part of the Soil Conservation Service. He later brought these construction skills to the Town by serving as Road Agent for 10 years. Once retiring from this position, George continued to serve as an advisor to the Town during its high growth period as Inspector of New Subdivisions. The Town of Stratham can take pride in its road system as being the best in the county because of the George's supervision during their construction. George took pride and interest in two other Town assets, the Stratham Fair and Stratham Hill Park. George directed the Queens Pageant for many, many years. He was also one of the organizers of the Stratham Hill Park Association and acted as its President for a significant part of its existence.

Larry Dowling was likewise investing in his community. Larry was a charter member of the Stratham Volunteer Fire Department and serve as its Chief from 1976-78. He helped found the Stratham Fair and assumed various roles critical to the success of the Fair as a member of the Fair Committee. Larry was active in the Stratham Community Church and the business community. He started his own company and took Dowling Corporation from a meager beginning to today's major influence in the air conditioning and refrigeration industry in southern New Hampshire. Larry brought those business skills and a common sense approach while serving on the Town's Board of Adjustment and Budget Committee. One could always count on Larry to provide the proper insight when most needed.

Both these gentlemen displayed the true characteristics of a public servant. They and many others have provided the foundations for the community we all now enjoy. It is unfortunate that we cannot possibly thank them enough for their contributions nor be able to identify the many others that helped them along the way. We can look to them, their families, and friends for inspiration as we pursue the same goal of making our community a better place.



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## 1998 TOWN OFFICERS

### BOARD OF SELECTMEN

William R. Krooss	term expires 2000
Stephen J.C. Woods*	term expires 1999
Kirk Scamman	term expires 2001
Martin Wool **	term expires 1999

\* Resigned effective July 1, 1998  
\*\* Appointed to serve July, 1998 to March, 1999

### TOWN ADMINISTRATOR

Paul R. Deschaine

### MODERATOR

W. Douglas Scamman, Jr.	term expires 2000
Jerry Howard (appointed assistant)	term expires 2000

### TOWN CLERK/TAX COLLECTOR

Joyce A. Rowe *	term expires 1999
Shirley S. Daley **	term expires 1999

Brenda Mason, Deputy \*\*  
Tiffany DiBartolomeo, Secretary  
\* Resigned/Retired June 30, 1998  
\*\* Appointed to serve July, 1998 to March, 1999

### TREASURER

Kenneth F. Lanzillo	term expires 1999
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### CODE ENFORCEMENT/BUILDING INSPECTOR

Terry Barnes  
Linda Beaudoin, Secretary

### HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT

Fred A. Hutton Jr., Highway Agent  
Cameron Sewall  
Russell Stevens  
Donald Dubbs

### FIRE DEPARTMENT

Chief, Robert O. Law	Lt. David Emanuel
First Assistant Chief, R. Stanley Walker	Lt. Bryan Crosby
Second Assistant Chief, Fred Hutton Jr.	Chief Steward, Alan Scholtz
Captain, Kevin Rowe	Rescue Captain, Paul Plazeski
Captain, Christopher Rowe, Jr.	Rescue Lt. Dawn Jordan
Lt. Timothy Mason	
Lt. Jeffrey DiBartolomeo	



## POLICE DEPARTMENT

Chief, Michael J. Daley  
Lt. Carlton Spaulding  
Sgt. Richard Wood  
Cpl. David Pierce  
Cpl. Richard Gendron  
Peter Bakie  
Tanya Lampi  
John Petrosch  
Tammy Drew, Secretary  
Michael DiCroce, Prosecutor

### On Call Officers:

Donald Andolina  
Mike Gobbi  
Bradley Hutchings  
Kevin Walsh  
Steven Wheeler  
David Gilbert

## HEALTH OFFICER

Dr. Steven R. Roth

## SUPERVISORS OF THE CHECK LIST

William Jeralds	term expires 2004
Susan Hunter	term expires 2000
Barbara Battis	term expires 2002

## TRUSTEES OF THE TRUST FUNDS

Kathryn Bickford	term expires 2001
Victor Collinino	term expires 2000
Gordon Barker	term expires 1999

## OFFICE OF EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT

Stephen H. Flink, Director

## LIBRARY TRUSTEES

Michael Sullivan, Director	
Carol Gulla	term expires 2001
William Clapp	term expires 2001
Helen LaFave	term expires 1999
Connie Gilman *	term expires 2000
Lisa Scamman	term expires 2000
Sandra Bosinger **	term expires 1999

\* Resigned effective August, 1998

\*\* Appointed to serve August, 1998 to March, 1999

## CEMETERY COMMITTEE

Kenneth F. Lanzillo	term expires 2000
Lucy Cushman	term expires 1999
Annette White	term expires 2001

## PLANNING BOARD

John A. Hutton III, Chairman	term expires 2001
Michael Keane, Vice Chair	term expires 2001
Joseph Derwiecki	term expires 1999
Carolyn Rowe	term expires 1999
Martin Wool, Selectmen's Rep.	
Kenneth Cornwell, Alternate	term expires 2001
Lissa Ham, Alternate	term expires 2000
Steven Schusler, Alternate	term expires 2000

## ZONING BOARD OF ADJUSTMENT

Neil Rowe, Chairman	term expires 2001
Christopher Rowe, Sr., Vice Chairman	term expires 2000
George D. Cooper	term expires 2000
Dwight Crow	term expires 1999
Bruce Barker	term expires 2001
Graeme Mann, Alternate	term expires 2000
Joseph Downey, Alternate	term expires 1999
Karen Abrami, Alternate	term expires 2001

## CONSERVATION COMMISSION

Gordon Barker, Chairman	term expires 2000
James Cushman, Vice Chairman	term expires 1999
Patricia Elwell	term expires 1999
Gerald Batchelder	term expires 2001
Richard Grimes, Alternate	term expires 2001
Kirk Scamman, Selectmen's Rep.	
Robert Keating	term expires 1999
Patricia Grahame	term expires 2001

## RECREATION COMMISSION

Michael Maskwa, Chairman	term expires 2001
Debra Bailey	term expires 2001
Kevin Rowe	term expires 2000
Laura Batchelder	term expires 2000
Brad Little	term expires 1999
Louis Gobin	term expires 2000
Caren Gallagher	term expires 1999
Kevin Peck	term expires 1999
Tom Burwell	term expires 2001

## BUDGET ADVISORY COMMITTEE

Victor Collinino	Christopher Rowe, Sr.
Gordon Bailey	Robert Holmes
James Scamman, Sr.	

## MOSQUITO COMMISSION

Martin Wool

Cameron Sewall

## HERITAGE COMMISSION

James Scamman, Jr., Chairman

term expires 2001

Helen LaFave

term expires 1999

Kirk Scamman, Selectmen's Rep.

Carolyn Rowe, Planning Board Rep.

Stuart Stearns

term expires 2000

Bruce Barker, Alternate

term expires 2000

## ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE

Stella Scamman, Chairman

term expires 2000

J. Worth Slade

term expires 1999

Stephen Horlacher

term expires 1999

Robert Holmes

term expires 2001

Sharon Sykas

term expires 2000

Felix McGuigan, Associate

term expires 2001

Marcell Botticello, Associate

term expires 2001



## SELECTMEN'S REPORT

The past year was marked by many activities and changes within the Town. With deep regret, we accepted the resignation and retirement of Joyce Rowe as Town Clerk/Tax Collector after 30-plus years of dedicated service. Her Deputy, Shirley Daley, was appointed Acting Town Clerk/Tax Collector to fill out Joyce's term. Brenda A. Mason became Shirley's Acting Deputy. After the 1998 Town Meeting, we welcomed Kirk Scamman to the Board of Selectmen who has become a quick study in the duties of a selectman. In June, we said goodbye to Stephen Woods, who resigned his position from the Board. Marty Wool then rejoined the Board to fulfill the remainder of Stephen's term. Despite these many changes during the year, we feel the Town accomplished many tasks and maintained the same high level of services for your tax dollars. Unfortunately, one thing that has not changed is the status of the labor union certification process. The NH State Supreme Court heard the oral arguments in October of 1998 regarding the proposed certification of a bargaining unit for the Police and Highway Departments. We are awaiting the court's decision. Until this appeal is resolved, the Town and the affected employees are in limbo regarding wages/benefits/work conditions.

The Police Department has hired a new Community Police Officer under a federal grant, and laptop computers are being acquired through another grant and donations. The laptops will be installed in the cruisers thus allowing the officers to complete much of their paperwork while still on patrol. The Department also intends to undertake another Citizen's Academy in the near future. This program proved popular with the participants who found it very informative. On a mixed note, we are sorry to see Lt. Carl Spaulding leave the department to retire. We wish him well in celebration of his 20 years of service to the Town.

The Highway Department continues on its new program of crack sealing roadways, thereby extending the life of the treated roads. The Department took delivery of a new dump truck, which was quickly put to use during the first storms of 1999. The ever-expanding town road network needing to be maintained is a formable task for a department comprised of only 4 full-time employees. Good equipment continues to allow them to maintain good roads.

Solid Waste Collection contractors changed during the year from Gobin Disposal Systems to Waste Management of NH due to Gobin's buyout and removal from this market. The transition appeared to have occurred smoothly with only minor service interruptions. Please note, all types of recyclables are now picked up each week. Consequently, there is no need for the annual calendar to show the now obsolete alternating week collection schedule. Please call Waste Management at 1-800-847-5303 with any questions or concerns.

The Planning Board has been busy with numerous subdivisions and site plans. Furthermore, the Planning Board has approved the new Stratham Master Plan, which will be used as a guide for all future zoning initiatives. We thank all the members of Town boards, commissions, and committees for all their efforts and willingness to serve.

The Economic Development Committee has conducted a survey of voters last March and a Business Visitation Program with the help of the NH Department of Resources and Economic Development. They have also become involved in regional transportation issues. These issues

and others are being pursued in order to diversity the Town's tax base. The Heritage Commission has undertaken an update of the Town's history and has started an exploration of creating a memorial at Stratham Hill Park for all our veterans of foreign wars.

The Library has upgraded the computer systems and expanded its Internet access through a series of donations. The staff and trustees are owed a big thank you for this accomplishment. We encourage you to do so by coming to the library in person and using their many services.

The Fire Department has been very involved with Life Safety Issues during the construction of the Cooperative Middle School. For an all-volunteer department, they do a remarkable job in responding to the increase demand for services. We sincerely appreciate each and every one of the members for their true dedication to public service.

Two main facilities in town were the subject of major improvements. Stratham Hill Park continues to be a popular place and was enjoyed by many throughout the year. The top of the Fire Tower has been rebuilt after the fire through the generosity of many donors. We genuinely appreciate the many donations, large and small, and the volunteer hours that went into restoring this town landmark. Municipal Center has also undergone some changes. The parking lot was dug up in order to replace the buried fuel oil tank as mandated by Federal Law. At that time, the entire bulkhead and enclosure that provided access to the boiler room was replaced as well.

Although there are many goals that we want to achieve within the Town in the coming year, there are three that are worth noting.

1. Steven's Property – We are almost half way to acquiring the Steven's property. These 22± acres will provide small but much needed additional space to the Town Highway Department and valuable land for playing fields and other recreational opportunities.
2. Renovation of the Town Offices – We need to renovate the Administrative and Building/Code Enforcement Offices in order to provide efficiencies of operation.
3. Y2K is fast approaching – we need to acquire software and hardware that has been certified to operate in and past the year 2000 for certain critical applications in the Town Offices.

The Board of Selectmen wishes to thank the residents and/or taxpayers of Stratham for all their support during the past year. It may seem trite, but it cannot be said enough. Your Selectmen appreciate everyone's efforts to make Stratham a better community for all of us in which to work, live, and play.

William Krooss  
Kirk Scamman  
Martin Wool

Board of Selectmen



## MINUTES OF THE TOWN MEETING

March 10, 1998

The following people were sworn in as ballot clerks: Elaine Alexander, Maurice Alexander, Deborah Woods, and Barbara Mann at 7:45 a.m. The Town Ballots were counted with the number being 2039 and the Exeter Region Cooperative School District Ballots were counted with the number being 2040. The moderator opened the meeting at 8 a.m. with the reading of the Warrant. Thirty-one people register to vote on Election Day with the Supervisors of the Checklist. There were 924 regular ballots cast and 43 absentee votes. The following people were sworn in for counting at the close of the polls: Lucy Cushman, James Scamman, Irving Tober, Bob Holmes, Kenneth Lanzillo, Michael Daley, Shirley Daley. Timothy Reiser, Sherl Burgess, Rich Burgess, Maurice Alexander, Susan Hunter, William Jeralds, David Barr and Craig Wark.

The following are the results of the balloting (\* denotes the candidate elected):  
Selectmen for three years Kirk Q. Scamman 575\*, Martin Wool 369, Charles Browne 1. Trustee of the Trust Funds for three years: Kathryn N. Bickford 829\*, Trustee of the Library for three years (vote for two) William F. Clapp 597\*, Carol R. Gulla 680\*, Cemetery Committee for three years: Annette L. White 810\*, Moderator for two years: W. Douglas Scamman, Jr. 859\*, Supervisor of the Checklist for six years: William Jeralds 844\*, Stratham School District Board Member for three years: William Thompson 796\*, Stratham School District Moderator for three years: W. Douglas Scamman, Jr. 848\*, Stratham School District Treasurer: Edward Geppner 12\* and 50 scattered votes.

Article 2. Yes 753  
No 120

Article 3. Yes 703  
No 173

Article 4. Yes 750  
No 109

Article 5. Yes 699  
No 147

Article 6. Yes 631  
No 249

Article 7. Yes 637  
No 243

Article 8. Yes 747  
No 107

Article 9. Yes 843  
No 44

Results of the Exeter Region Cooperative School District Ballot:  
Brentwood Board Member for three years: Peter Foster 306, Ronald A. Thompson 225.  
Exeter Board Member for Three Years: Greg Kann 573  
Kensington Board Member for Three Years: Paul St. Jean 567  
Moderator for One Year: Charles F. Tucker 693

Article 1. Yes 582  
No 293

Article 2. Yes 628  
No 245

Article 3. Yes 585  
No 294

Article 4. Yes 324  
No 493

March 13, 1998 - Continuation of March 10, 1998 Meeting.

The 238th Annual Town Meeting was opened by Gordon Snyder, Acting Moderator, at 7:30 p.m. with the introduction of the Selectmen, Town Clerk and incoming Selectman at the table. Troop 185 presented the colors. Dedication of Town Report was read by the Moderator. Results of Town Election were read by the Moderator as well as those of the Exeter Region Cooperative School District. Approximately 102 people attended the meeting.

Article 10. Martin Wool made motion and seconded by Stephen Woods. Mr. Wool explained the budget. A 3% raise for all the employees with the exception of the Union personnel. Motion moved to raise \$2,406,287 for the budget for the ensuing year. Vote in the affirmative.

Article 11. Capital Reserve Fund for Fire Department Vehicles. Motion made by Stephen Woods and seconded by William Krooss. Perry Francis questioned the amount of money. It was explained that the article just made a place to put money. Vote in the affirmative.

Article 12. CIP \$306,500. Motion made by Martin Wool and seconded by William Krooss. Vote in the affirmative

Article 13. Stevens Property Acquisition. Motion made by William Krooss and seconded by Martin Wool. Vote in the affirmative.

Article 14. Backhoe. Motion made by Martin Wool and seconded by William Krooss. There was a lengthy discussion as to the number of hours this machine would be used and if the cost of renting would not be more economical for the Town. A hand vote was taken.

Yes 37. No 67 Article was defeated.

Article 15. Church Property. Motion moved by Martin Wool and seconded by William Krooss. An amendment was offered to line #2 by Joyce Rowe so that line #2 would read: For the Town to relinquish a portion of the public right-of-way which currently extends from Emery Lane, between the Church and the Parker Parish Hall buildings. Seconded by James Scamman. Vote in the affirmative on the amendment. The following amendment was also offered: To add a sentence. That the selectmen be further authorized to grant and execute such other easements or documents as may be necessary to carry out the terms and intent of this article. Vote in the affirmative on the amendment. Vote in the affirmative on the article.

Article 16. Restrooms at Park. An amendment was made to change Stratham Fair to Stratham Volunteer Fire Department. Vote in the affirmative on the amendment. Vote in the affirmative on the article.

Article 17. State Police structure at Stratham Hill Park. William Krooss made the motion, seconded by Martin Wool. Vote in the affirmative.

Article 18. Community Diversion Program. Stephen Woods made the motion, seconded by Martin Wool. Vote in the affirmative.

Article 19. 1% Discount. Stephen Woods made the motion, seconded by William Krooss. Vote in the affirmative.

Article 20. Other Business. A moment of silence in remembrance of George Brown. A thank you to Martin Wool for his years of service as a selectmen for the Town of Stratham. Recognition to James Stuart for all his efforts as Chairman of the Master Plan Committee and for being named by the NH Office of State Planning as 1997 Citizen Planner of the Year.

Meeting adjourned at 9:23 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Joyce A. Rowe,  
Town Clerk-Tax Collector



STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE

THE POLLS WILL BE OPEN FROM 8 A.M. TO 8 P.M.

To the inhabitants of the Town of Stratham in the County of Rockingham in said State, qualified to vote in Town Affairs:

You are hereby notified to meet at the Stratham Municipal Center on Tuesday, on the ninth day of March 1999, next at eight of the clock in the forenoon, to act upon the following subjects:

ARTICLE 1:           To choose all necessary Town Officers for the year ensuing.

Are you in favor of the adoption of the following amendments proposed by the Stratham Planning Board for the Town of Stratham Zoning Ordinance and/or Building Ordinance, where noted, which would read as follows:

ARTICLE 2:           (To modify the definition for Adult Use)

- a.           To modify Section 2.1.5       Adult Use: to read "A business where more than 25% of the gross revenues, 25% or more of the stock in trade, or 25% or more of the goods or paraphernalia displayed are of a sexually oriented or sexually explicit nature. Such goods and paraphernalia include, but are not limited to sexually explicit books, videos, or devices. Examples of adult uses include, but are not limited to, theaters or mini-motion picture displays where sexually explicit films or videos are shown, nude modeling studios, massage parlors, escort agencies or sexual encounter centers. Businesses where body piercing and tattoos are performed shall be considered adult uses unless completed by a licensed physician in their place of practice." **(Rev. 3/93) (Rev. 3/99)**

The Planning Board recommends this article.

ARTICLE 3:           (Editorial changes to Section 3.6)

- a.           To complete an editorial change to Section 3.6 Table of Uses making endnotes into footnotes for their respective sections and to make existing endnote 1 a new Section 3.5.6.

The Planning Board recommends this article.

ARTICLE 4: (To define Self Storage or Warehousing as a use and permit by conditional use permit)

- a. To add a new section 2.1.49 to read “Self Storage or Warehousing: A business or use that consists of individual, self contained units, that may or may not vary in size, that are leased or owned for the storage of business equipment, supplies, household goods, or other items. **(Adopted 3/99)**
- b. To renumber remaining sections accordingly.
- c. To add to Table of Uses 3.6 F. Commercial Uses the use Self-Storage or Warehousing and permit the use in the GCM and CLIO Districts by conditional use permit with a footnote ‘5’
- d. To create a new footnote ‘5’ to read:
  - “5. Self Storage or Warehousing shall only be permitted by Conditional Use Permit and in accordance with the following performance based standards:
    - a. Any and all structures shall be setback a distance of 150 feet from existing rights-of-ways and 250 feet from any portion of the right-of-way for Portsmouth Avenue or State Route 101.
    - b. Any and all access ways, parking and other infra-structure of any kind related to the use in any way shall be set back 100 feet from existing rights-of-ways and 125 feet from Portsmouth Avenue and State Route 101 except at the point where access is granted.
    - c. Self Storage or Warehousing shall have opaque buffers in all directions that shall provide a visual and otherwise protective vegetative buffer utilizing existing vegetation and landscaping to the maximum extent feasible, and where appropriate, fabricated materials and fences. Such buffers shall be at a minimum depth of 50', and provide, in all seasons, an opaque screening. However, the Planning Board may require additional buffering relative to distance or opacity.
    - d. No outdoor storage of any kind shall be permitted in association with these uses.
    - e. Structures used for self storage or warehousing shall not occupy more than 10% of the lot.”

The Planning Board recommends this article.



ARTICLE 5: (To modify Table 4.2 for the General Commercial District)

4.2 TABLE OF DIMENSIONAL REQUIREMENTS (Rev. 3/99)

MINIMUM LOT DIMENSIONS <sup>a</sup>	MINIMUM YARD DIMENSIONS <sup>a</sup>		Maximum			Max. %	Min. %	Open Space/	Side/Rear	Open Space
	Continuous Frontage	Depth	Front	Side	Rear	Height of Structure	Bld Cover/ Lot	Lot	Front Open Space Setback	Open Space Setback
General Comm. <sup>c,e</sup> 1Ac <sup>d</sup>	200 <sup>d</sup>	100	60 <sup>e</sup>	25	25	35	40	50	35' min/50' avg.	35 min.

See Explanatory Notes on following page.

e. For lots that about Route 33 or Route 108, the minimum setback shall be 100 feet, except in the Town Center District. In the Town Center District *and for any land that lies south and west of Route 101*, front setbacks on Route 33 or Route 108 shall be 60 feet. The above setbacks shall not apply to septic tanks and/or leaching fields. Septic tanks and/or leaching fields must be located at least 30 feet from the edge of a right-of-way, or comply to the standards set forth in Section 5.2.3 of this Ordinance; the more restrictive provision shall apply. *In addition, for land that lies south and west of Route 101 that is also served by municipal sewer and water, the minimum rear and side open space setback shall be the same as the yard dimensions, the minimum open space shall be 15%, and the height of the buildings may also be increased in accordance with footnote f, below. (Rev. 3/91, 3/96, 3/99)*

f. For the footnoted districts, an applicant may apply to the Board of Adjustment to exceed the height limit provided it is determined by the Board that the extra height will not create a safety hazard.

The Planning Board Recommends this article.

ARTICLE 6: (To comprehensively amend the Stratham Zoning Ordinance to include a new Retirement Planned Community).

a. To add the following sections to the Stratham Zoning Ordinance.

2.1.46 Retirement Planned Community: Any development of three (3) or more dwelling units in detached or multi-unit building(s) which is planned generally as a retirement community for elderly persons and which includes legal covenants and restrictions which are designed to promote the use and occupancy of such building(s) principally by persons 55 years of age or older. **(Adopted 3/99)**

...  
3.1 ESTABLISHMENT OF DISTRICTS

For the purpose of this Ordinance, the Town of Stratham is hereby divided into the following districts:

...  
District Name and Abbreviation

Retirement Planned Community <b>(Adopted 3/99)</b>	RPC
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...  
3.4 DISTRICT PURPOSES

The following purposes are hereby established for each of the districts:

3.4.12 Retirement Planned Community District. The intent of this district is to provide a location for elderly housing that recognizes the specific needs for residents 55 years of age and older. This district encompasses Tax Map 2, Lot 15 and a tract of land adjoining the Stratham/Exeter Town Line as shown on a plan recorded at the Rockingham County Registry of Deeds as Plan #D-25288. **(Adopted 3/99)**

...  
3.5.5 The uses within the Retirement Planned Community shall be those as defined under the definition of "Retirement Planned Community". **(Adopted 3/99)**

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4.2 TABLE OF DIMENSIONAL REQUIREMENTS (Rev. 3/99)

MINIMUM LOT DIMENSIONS <sup>a</sup>		MINIMUM YARD DIMENSIONS <sup>a</sup>		Maximum			Max. % Height of Structure	Min. % Bld Cover/ Lot	Open Space/ Lot	Side/Rear Front Open Space Setback	Open Space Setback
Area	Continuous Frontage	Depth	Front	Side	Rear						
Retirement Planned Comm. <sup>k</sup> 5Ac	50	200	40	40	40		45	40	40	40' min	40' min

See Explanatory Notes on following page.

k. For a Retirement Planned Community, the minimum lot shall be 5 acres and height shall be measured with a maximum of three (3) stories above grade. Density, setbacks between structures, setbacks to interior lot lines, minimum lot size per unit, setbacks to wetlands, and parking shall be controlled by Section V, § 5.6 Retirement Planned Community. (Adopted 3/99)

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## 5.6 RETIREMENT PLANNED COMMUNITY (Adopted 3/99)

Retirement Planned Community uses shall adhere to all provisions of the Stratham Zoning Ordinance unless preempted by the provisions below.

5.6.1 Density. No minimum lot size shall be required per individual unit.

- (a) For a Retirement Planned Community that is served by on-site subsurface disposal systems, the number of elderly housing units per acre shall be based on the number of bedrooms allowed under NH Department of Environmental Services Septic System Design Rules as shall be applicable on the date of subdivision or site plan application to the Planning Board, divided by the number of bedrooms per unit.
- (b) For a Retirement Planned Community that is served by public sewer and public water the number of elderly housing units shall be a maximum of 8 per acre.
- (c) The maximum number of units per building in the Retirement Planned Community shall be 24.

5.6.2 Setback to Wetlands. Within a Retirement Planned Community, the setback to wetlands shall be 50 feet.

5.6.3 Parking. Two (2) parking spaces per unit shall be provided on-site.

5.6.4 Setbacks to interior subdivision lot lines for structures shall be 30 feet.

5.6.5 Setbacks between on-site structures shall be 25 feet.

5.6.6 Regulations. The Planning Board as part of site plan review may modify setbacks to lot lines, interior on-site structures, and parking requirements upon appropriate findings by the Planning Board.

The Planning Board recommends this article.



ARTICLE 7: (To completely replace and amend the existing Section VIII Cluster Developments with a new Section).

- a. To Add the following Section.

SECTION VIII  
RESIDENTIAL OPEN SPACE - CLUSTER  
DEVELOPMENT BY  
CONDITIONAL USE PERMIT (Rev. 3/99)

8.1 RESIDENTIAL OPEN SPACE - CLUSTER DEVELOPMENT

Pursuant to RSA 674:21, the Planning Board is hereby authorized to grant a Conditional Use Permit to allow for an Open Space - Cluster development in accordance with the restrictions and requirements of this section. The Planning Board is further authorized to adopt amendments to the Subdivision Regulations in order to further administer the requirements of this ordinance.

- 8.1.1 Purpose - This section is to provide a flexible method of residential development that is consistent with principles of sound planning and wise land use that are not specifically permitted in the current zoning ordinance. All developments seeking a conditional use permit shall be administered by the Planning Board to insure that Open Space - Cluster development opportunities do not adversely impact neighboring properties, or the citizens and Town of Stratham. The Planning Board shall consider the following purposes and balance them accordingly during review of individual applications.
- a. Maintain and Preserve rural character of the Town of Stratham by allowing an alternative residential development option which preserves large areas of open space, provides for visual buffers from existing roads and residential development, and permits farming opportunities on parcels of open space.
  - b. Preserve large, contiguous parcels of open space throughout the town and particularly as found in the Stratham Master Plan designated and referred to as the Stratham 'S' on Map FLU-2.
  - c. Provide for a diversity of housing types, opportunities, and styles.
  - d. Encourage flexible road design that will contribute to and enhance a rural atmosphere and maintain minimal safety design.
  - e. To provide for connected corridors of open land throughout town for preservation of habitat, environmental resources, and public enjoyment.



- f. As part of an alternative for residential development, to require the clustering of homes in a manner that includes proximity in physical location while minimizing confusion over issues of property ownership.
- 8.1.2 Conditional Use Permits. All Open Space - Cluster developments shall obtain a conditional use permit from the Planning Board. The conditional use permit shall clearly set forth all conditions of approval and shall clearly list all plans, drawings and other submittals that are part of the approved use. Everything shown or otherwise indicated on a plan or submittal that is listed on the conditional use permit shall be considered to be a condition of approval. Construction shall not deviate from the stated conditions without approval of the modification by the Planning Board.
- 8.1.3 Application Procedure. Applications for conditional use permits for an Open Space - Cluster development shall be made in accordance with the procedures set forth in the relevant sections of the Subdivision Regulations of the Stratham Planning Board.
- 8.1.4 Approval of Applications. Prior to issuance of a building permit, the applicant shall acquire a conditional use permit as well as any other necessary Planning Board approval. A conditional use permit shall be issued only if an Open Space - Cluster development complies with all of the requirements of this section. The Planning Board may condition its approval on reasonable conditions necessary to accomplish the objectives of this section or of the Stratham Master Plan, Zoning Ordinance, or any other federal, state, town resolution, regulation, or law, including but not limited to; a reasonable reduction in allowed density, a reasonable increase in required frontage, setbacks, or any other requirement if necessary to accomplish said objectives. The conditional use permit is meant to provide flexibility, minimize adverse impacts, and allow the Board to participate jointly with the applicant to prepare a development that is consistent with this ordinance, regulations, and the Master Plan for the Town of Stratham.
- 8.1.5 General. The Open Space - Cluster development provisions of this ordinance provide applicants with an alternative development approach intended to promote flexibility and innovation in land planning. Within this context, the ordinances that are established are intended to be a minimum consideration of allowable impacts. Each tract of land possesses different, unique development characteristics and limitations, and the Open Space - Cluster development use allowed on any particular tract will be a function of innovative land planning and subdivision design interacting with the special characteristics and limitations of the site.

The following definitions specifically apply to this Section of the Zoning Ordinance:

- A. Common Area. Any parcel or area of land and/or area of water set aside as a result of a cluster plan. The common area is designed for the benefit and enjoyment of the residents of a cluster development. These areas may contain accessory structures and improvements necessary and appropriate for the educational, recreational, cultural, social or other non-commercial/nonresidential/nonindustrial uses, plus any utility services utilized by the owners of the common area.
- B. Conservation Land. Land given to a public body dedicated to conservation of forests, park land, etc., or to a private conservation trust, with the intent of preserving in its original ecological condition, safeguarding water supplies, or diminishing flood danger.
- C. Mandatory Home Association. A private non-profit corporation, association or other non-profit legal entity established by the developer for the benefit and enjoyment of the residents of the Cluster Development. Membership in said association shall be mandatory for property owners and made a required covenant in any deed issued or passed. It shall provide voting and use rights in the common area when applicable and may charge dues to cover expenses, which may include tax liabilities of the common area, recreational or utility facilities. Articles of Association or Incorporation must be acceptable to the Planning Board and by the Town Counsel and any other municipal, county, state agency, body, commission or department required by law to approve of the same.
- D. Open Space Easement. Land whose development rights have been legally restricted, either by deed or by public purchase of those rights. The easement may be so worded as to permit or restrict public access, to allow or disallow recreational development, and similar provisions. Easements are tied to the title of the land, regardless of its subsequent ownership.
- E. Public Open Land. Land purchased by or given to the Town of Stratham for parks, playgrounds, or an undeveloped open space, generally with the intention of making it accessible for public use.

8.1.6 Strict adherence to these provisions shall not be construed as establishing a legal right to a conditional use permit for a cluster development. Those who wish to pursue their "development rights" to a certain use or development of land should consider developing their land with the permitted, conventional subdivision approaches, or through the variance procedure as provided for by New Hampshire law.



- 8.1.7 Lot Size and Frontage - The minimum lot size for a Open Space - Cluster development is 20 acres. The minimum frontage for the development shall be a contiguous 100 feet and of sufficient length to provide safe access for a right-of-way of at least 60 feet. At least one access shall be within the minimum frontage. The minimum frontage and access shall be within the Town of Stratham. If, however, the subject parcel has only 50 feet of frontage and was legally created prior to the date of adoption of this ordinance under ordinances and regulations that required at least a 50 feet minimum right-of-way, 50 feet shall be the minimum required frontage for such pre-existing lots. Frontage lands on roads existing at the time of application shall be preserved as buffers to the maximum extent possible in addition to all required setbacks. After the passage of this ordinance, any parcel that subdivides more than 50% of the frontage away from the parent parcel shall not be eligible for an Open Space - Cluster development for a period of 4 years from the date of the subdivision approval. Merging the required parcels with the parent parcel to achieve the 50% original required frontage shall nullify this restriction.
- 8.1.8 Density - Maximum density for an Open Space - Cluster shall be determined by use of a yield plan. The purpose of a yield plan is to show the density that is reasonably achievable under a conventional subdivision following the requirements of the zoning ordinance and subdivision regulations. The Planning Board shall adopt regulations that provide for the generation of a yield plan in accordance with this section.
- 8.1.9 Density Bonus - If required criteria are met, the Stratham Planning Board may award the development a density bonus. The total density bonus awarded to a particular development authorized under this section for innovative protection bonuses shall not exceed 35% of the yield plan baseline. The density bonus shall be applied to the number of lots achievable under the yield plan. Where a final number is greater than .5, the density number may be rounded up to the next whole number. The minimum density bonus, regardless of percentage achieved, shall be one lot. Density bonuses awarded for preserving frontage lots shall be in addition to the above 25% and shall not exceed 65% of the yield plan baseline, in no event shall the total density bonus awarded exceed the soil based carrying capacity for the entire parcel or 80% of the yield plan baseline, whichever is less. The Planning Board shall adopt regulations that provide for density bonuses in accordance with this section.
- 8.1.10 Standards for approval - All standards below must be met or impacts mitigated to the satisfaction of the Planning Board prior to the granting of a Conditional Use Permit.
- A. The permit is in compliance with this ordinance and is in the public interest.

- B. There will be no greater diminution of neighboring property values than would be created under any other use or development permitted in the underlying zone.
- C. That there are no existing violation of the Stratham zoning ordinance on the subject property.
- D. That the character of the area shall not be adversely affected. This determination, to be made by the Planning Board, shall be made by considering the following aspects of the surrounding area.
  - 1. Consistency of architecture, except for single-family detached development, determined through analysis of the following:
    - Roof pitches;
    - Siding types;
    - Architectural styles of residential structures;
    - Proportional aspects of facades, building locations on lots;
  - 2. Transportation, determined through analysis of the following:
    - Access for safety vehicles onto the site, within the site, and to individual houses;
    - Capacity of nearby and affected intersections, and transportation corridors;
    - Cost for municipality to maintain roadways.
    - Layout, width, and construction of roadways on the site.
  - 3. Protection of natural resources, determined through analysis of the following:
    - Protection of environmentally sensitive areas, including but not limited to, wetlands, shoreland buffers, wildlife corridors, significant groundwater resources, etc.;
    - Maintenance of viewsheds and other visually appealing aspects of the site;



4. Protection of cultural resources, determined through analysis of the following:

- Establishment of new and protecting existing trailways for travel;
- Protection of historic buildings or significant historical landscapes;
- Establishment, protection and promotion for agricultural uses of the site.

E. That granting the permit will not result in undue municipal expense.

F. That the proposed development will be constructed in a manner compatible with the spirit and intent of the Stratham Master Plan and Zoning Ordinance.

G. That the capacity of existing or planned community facilities and services (including streets and highways) will not be adversely impacted. Mitigation of these impacts by the developer can be properly considered in granting of a conditional use permit.

H. That the general welfare of the Town will be protected.

I. Landscaping or other appropriate buffers of sufficient opacity and materials shall be required if deemed reasonably necessary for the welfare of neighboring properties or the Town.

8.2 Other Regulations Applicable. The Planning Board shall adopt sections of the Subdivision Regulations not pre-empted by this ordinance which shall apply to the Open Space - Cluster Development, including the right to waive such regulations. Where not specifically pre-empted by the provisions of this ordinance the requirement that is more restrictive shall apply. The Planning Board shall determine if pre-emption is intended by the provisions of this ordinance, and/or what requirement that is to apply, is more restrictive.

8.3 Minimum Open Space Requirements. In addition to the requirements of this section, the Planning Board shall adopt regulations that prescribe additional criteria for Open Space parcels.

8.3.1 The parcel must contain a minimum of 35% of the total land in the parcel dedicated as open space.

8.3.2 Such land shall be preserved in perpetuity through deed restriction or conservation easement, and designated on the approved and recorded plat. Such restriction shall be approved by the Planning Board and Town Counsel.

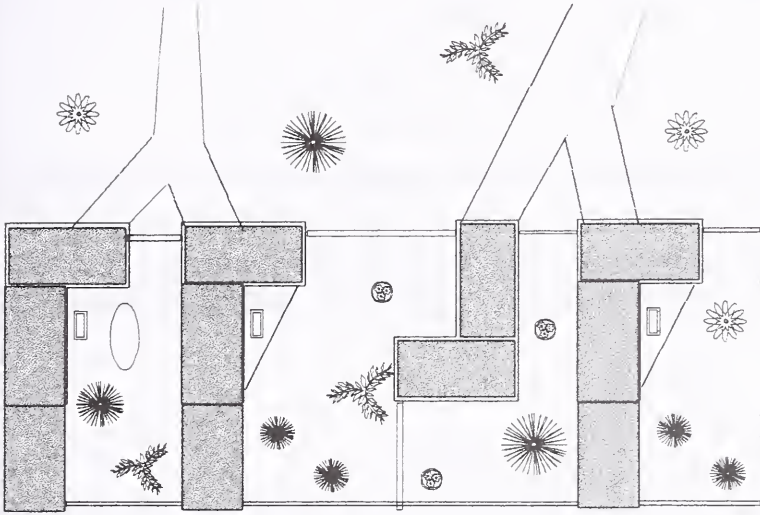
- 8.3.3 The Minimum Required Open space is land unbuilt upon, which must be permanently kept in that condition, and cannot be subjected to current use taxation or discretionary easements. However, actively operated farmland, classified as "prime" or "unique" by the Rockingham County Conservation District will be entitled to current use taxation or discretionary easements.
- 8.3.4 The open space and/or common area within a cluster development shall be owned by and bound by one or more of the following:
- A. Mandatory Homeowners Association, which may use it for common recreational facilities or may designate it as Open Space, or may grant a public body an Open Space Easement.
  - B. A public body which shall use it as Conservation Land or Public Open Land.
  - C. Such designation must be made prior to approval of the subdivision application by the Planning Board; such lands shall be held in such type of legal entity as the Planning Board deems appropriate.

#### 8.4 General Requirements

##### 8.4.1. Uses

- A. Only residential uses shall be permitted in the Cluster - Open Space Developments.
  - 1. Single-family detached homes are permitted.
  - 2. Multi-family units shall be permitted up to a unit count of 4 per building or structure. These are units that are structural joined and share walls with no yard between units.

3. Joined-Array units. Single-family units that are attached by and share a common yard and/or fence as part of a tightly-constructed joined-array, not to exceed four joined units, shall be considered single family units for setbacks to other arrays or detached units but shall not require setbacks from each other provided that yard space at least 20 feet wide is available for individual use between units. In no case shall structures be less than 10 feet apart. (Example below).



#### 8.4.2. Setbacks and other dimensions.

- A. The following frontage requirements shall apply.
1. Each single-family lot or unit shall have 50' of frontage on interior roadways.
  2. Joined-Array single family units, as described in § 8.5.1,A,3, shall have 125' of frontage.
  3. Duplex and Multi-family units, sharing a common wall shall have 75' of frontage.
- B. All developments shall contain some form of lot delineation or lines that designate a reasonable amount of land attributable to each particular structure.
- C. The following setbacks shall apply to all residential structures within the development.
1. Setbacks from exterior property lines of the entire parcel shall be 25' for single-family detached units, with an additional 15' per unit for multi-unit structures (e.g. 4 unit attached = 85').

2. 30' setback from the edge of pavement for roadways within, and part of, the development.
3. 40' structural separation for all single family unit structures within the development, subject however to § 8.5.1,A,3.
4. 50' structural setback for multi-family units from all other structures.
5. 10' structural setback from all lot lines.

#### 8.4.3. Utilities.

- A. All utilities serving the development shall be underground. The Planning Board may waive the requirement for underground utilities along lengthy entrance roads that are visually separated from the clustered housing units. The Planning Board may not waive this requirement within the network of the development.

### 8.5 Expiration

Any Conditional Use Permit shall expire if active and substantial development or building has not begun on the site by the owner or the owner's successor in interest in accordance with the approved plat within 12 months after the date of approval. As part of its approval of a plat or plan, the Planning Board may, with due regard to the scope and details of a particular project, specify the threshold level of work which shall constitute "active and substantial development or building" for purposes of fulfilling this paragraph. In such cases, a new application for a Conditional Use Permit must be completed.

### 8.6 Conditions

The Planning Board may impose higher standards than allowed by this Section when they determine that because of special site and land conditions, an adverse impact would be created by allowing development to be built to the standards delineated in this Section.

The Planning Board recommends this article.



ARTICLE 8: (To create a new Section XX coordinating all regulations and ordinances relative to septic design and review into one section within the Stratham Zoning Ordinance).

a. To Delete the following section from the Zoning Ordinance.

5.2.3 Sanitary Protection.

b. To revise Article IV section 1, f, of the Building Ordinance to read as follows:

f. No building permit shall be issued for a building or structure unless the applicant has submitted to the Building Inspector an adequate plot plan showing the location of wells, the location and details of the sewage disposal system conforming to *Section XX of the Stratham Zoning Ordinance. (Rev. 3/95, 3/99)*

c. To create a new Section XX of the Stratham Zoning Ordinance, and renumber the existing sections accordingly, to read as follows:

Section XX

Sanitary Protection and Septic Ordinance

20.1 General

This Section is enacted in accordance with the provisions of RSA 674:16-17 and RSA 674:21.

20.1.1 No sewage disposal system shall be constructed or replaced unless designed in accordance with this Section of the Stratham Zoning Ordinance and the most recent edition of the Subdivision and Individual Sewage Disposal System Design Rules (as published by the Water Supply and Pollution Control Division). When conflicts arise, the more restrictive requirements shall apply. Applications and necessary design information shall be submitted to the Code Enforcement Officer, who in conjunction with the designated town review agent, shall determine compliance with this section.

20.1.2 No sewage disposal area shall be located closer than 75 feet from a well or 100 feet from a water body. No fill associated with a sewage disposal area shall encroach upon a drainage structure or drainage or utility easement. No sewage disposal area shall be built on slopes exceeding fifteen (15) percent average grade.

20.1.3 The Planning Board as part of any review may require a hydrogeologic study for all projects that: have one or more sewage disposal systems designed for a total on-site septic loading of 2,500 gpd or more; or are located within the Aquifer Protection District. The Board may require the applicant to pay for a design review of the proposed system by a licensed system designer or a professional engineer designated by the Board.

A hydrogeologic study shall be performed by a professional engineer, hydrologist, hydrogeologist or other groundwater professional. All water testing is to be performed at an EPA approved laboratory. A hydrogeologic study will address:

1. A hydrogeologic mapping of groundwater flow within the site;
2. Existing background water quality;
3. The location of and potential impacts to on-site and abutting water supply wells and septic systems;
4. The location and capacity of the proposed septic system(s); and
5. Estimates of the transport of contaminants from the septic system(s) and of the constituent concentrations (i.e. nitrates) at the property boundary and at abutting water supplies.
6. Groundwater mounding analysis.

The proposed sewage disposal system(s) shall not create groundwater degradation beyond the limits of the property line in excess of EPA water quality criteria for domestic supplies, as amended. Systems which violate these tenets shall be rejected.

20.1.4 Sloping Lots. Leaching fields may be constructed on sloping lots provided the natural grade of the proposed location does not exceed 15%. When the natural grade exceeds 5%, the WSPCD "50% rule" (Env-Ws 104.05) which allows up to 50% of the bed bottom to be less than four (4) feet from the SHWT may be used. However, the upgradient side of the bed bottom shall be at least three (3) feet above the SHWT.

20.1.5 All lots created after the effective date of this ordinance and all sewage disposal systems shall comply with this section of the Stratham Zoning Ordinance with the following additional requirements:

- a) The Town requires two (2) feet of natural permeable soil above the seasonal high water table (SHWT) beneath the sewage disposal area and sewage reserve area;
- b) Five feet of natural soil above bedrock or any impervious substratum is required beneath the sewage disposal area and sewage reserve area;
- c) Fill material when needed to raise the bottom of the leaching area above the SHWT, bedrock, or impervious substratum shall be medium to coarse textured sand.

- d) Test pits and septic reserve areas. Each undeveloped lot shall have at least two (2) suitable test pits, separated by at least fifty (50) feet. All test pits necessary for satisfying local regulations shall be witnessed by the designated agent of the town. Each newly created lot shall accommodate its own sewage. For cluster developments, all sewage shall be disposed of within the boundaries of the development.
  - 1) New lots created subsequent to the adoption of this ordinance shall show a 5,000 square foot septic reserve area as part of the subdivision process creating the lot.
  - 2) During design review phase each lot shall show a suitable sewage disposal area and a suitable reserve sewage disposal area of equal or greater size.
- e) The Planning Board, as part of a conditional use permit, may waive the requirements of this section in consideration of the following criteria:
  - 1) The designed system complies with all State WSPCD rules provided no waivers are granted, and,
  - 2) The lot upon which the waiver is sought contains conditions which fulfill other purposes and goals of the Stratham Ordinance and presents a compelling justification for such waiver, or,
  - 3) The designed system for which the waiver is sought cannot feasibly be carried out on a portion or portions of the lot which complies more fully with this section of the ordinance.
- f) Before final subdivision approval by the Planning Board, and where individual lots were granted waivers as part of a conditional use permit in accordance with e), above, individual system designs shall be submitted showing compliance with the general requirements of this section. Where individual designs cannot comply with these general requirements, the Zoning Board of Adjustment shall grant a Special Exception for those designs provided the following:
  - 1) The design shows a system that at least meets or exceeds the limits imposed as part of the waiver by the Planning Board.
  - 2) The design of the proposed system will, to the extent practicable, be consistent with the purpose and intent of this section.
  - 3) The applicant has exceeded other applicable minimum design requirements in an effort to mitigate impacts resulting from the limitations of the site.



- 4) The applicant has demonstrated that no reasonable use of the property can be made.
- 5) The application complies with the provisions of § 17.8.2 of the Stratham Zoning Ordinance.

#### 20.2 Replacement of existing systems without expansion of design capacity.

Replacement systems with no expansion in original design capacity shall be reviewed and permitted by the Code Enforcement Officer in conjunction with the designated town review agent. Upon application to the Code Enforcement Officer, where a design fails to meet the requirements of this section, the Code Enforcement Officer has the authority to waive the general requirements of this section and may grant a special permit to construct a sewage disposal system provided the following provisions are met.

- a) The proposed system entails no expansion of use and is a replacement of the system previous occupying the lot.
- b) The previous system shall be discontinued. Only the proposed system shall be used once initial function is established.
- c) The design of the system shall comply with New Hampshire State WSPCD rules in effect at the time of approval, including waiver of these rules by the State permitting authority.

#### 20.3 Replacement of existing systems with expansion of design capacity.

Replacement systems with expansion in original design capacity shall be reviewed and permitted by the Code Enforcement Officer in conjunction with the designated town review agent. Upon application to the Code Enforcement Officer, where a design fails to meet the requirements of this section, the Planning Board has the authority to waive the general requirements of this section and may grant a special permit to construct a sewage disposal system provided the following provisions are met.

- a) The use for which the permit is sought cannot feasibly be carried out on a portion or portions of the lot which complies more fully with this section of the ordinance.
- b) The design and construction of the proposed use will, to the extent practicable, be consistent with the purpose and intent of this Section.
- c) The applicant has exceeded other applicable minimum design requirements in an effort to mitigate impacts resulting from the limitations of the site.



20.4 Vacant Lots of Record

Subsurface septic systems shall be reviewed and permitted by the Code Enforcement Officer in conjunction with the designated town review agent to determine compliance with this section.

20.4.1 Special Exception. Upon application to the Code Enforcement Officer, where a design fails to meet the requirements of this section the applicant can apply for a special exception. Upon appropriate findings, the ZBA shall grant a special exception to the general requirements of this section provided that all of the following conditions are found to exist:

- a) The lot upon which an exception is sought was an official lot of record, as recorded in the Rockingham County Registry of Deeds, prior to the date on which this amendment was posted and published in the Town.
- b) The use for which the exception is sought cannot feasibly be carried out on a portion or portions of the lot which complies more fully with this section of the ordinance.
- c) The design and construction of the proposed use will, to the extent practical, be consistent with the purpose and intent of this Section.
- d) The applicant has exceeded other applicable minimum design requirements in an effort to mitigate impacts resulting from the limitations of the site.
- e) The applicant has demonstrated that no reasonable use of the property can be made.
- f) The application complies with the provisions of § 17.8.2 of the Stratham Zoning Ordinance.

The Planning Board recommends this article.

ARTICLE 9: (To modify Section 15.6.1 of the GROWTH MANAGEMENT AND INNOVATIVE LAND USE CONTROL to clarify the discretion of the Planning Board relative to the phasing of subdivisions).

a. To amend the following section to read (modified language italicized):

“15.6.1      Phasing Required. The Planning Board may require the phasing of a development for a period up to *or less than* five years for a project which is proposed to have 50 dwelling units (lots) or less. For a project larger than 50 units or lots, the Planning Board may require a longer or *shorter* period of phasing based on the size of the project and the potential impact of the number *or* type of units on the municipal services of the Town. The Planning Board shall make appropriate findings of fact to substantiate the need, *time, and limit* for required phasing *based on the size of the project and the potential impact from the number or type of units on municipal services.* (Rev. 3/99)”

The Planning Board recommends this article.

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THE FOLLOWING ARTICLES WILL BE VOTED ON FRIDAY, MARCH 12, 1999, AT 7:30 P.M. AT THE STRATHAM MUNICIPAL CENTER, 10 BUNKER HILL AVENUE, STRATHAM, N.H.  
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ARTICLE 10: To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Selectmen to issue tax lien redemption notes in accordance with RSA 33:7-d. (A 2/3 ballot vote is required.)

The Board of Selectmen recommends this article.

ARTICLE 11: To raise such sums of money as may be necessary to defray general town charges for the ensuing year and make appropriations for the same.

The Board of Selectmen recommends this article.

ARTICLE 12: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Three Hundred Fifty Two Thousand Dollars and no cents (\$352,000.00) to implement the Capital Improvements Program for 1999 as presented in the Town Report and approved by the Planning Board. This is a special warrant article which will be non-lapsing until the specific items are completed or obtained but shall in no case be later than five (5) years from this appropriation per NHRSA 32:7 (VI).

The Board of Selectmen recommends this article.

ARTICLE 13: Are you in favor of the adoption of the Petition proposed by Beth Petit and 28 other voters to raise and appropriate the sum of \$18,000.00 (eighteen thousand dollars), which is based on a \$15,000.00 estimate with a 20% contingency factor not to exceed the \$18,000.00 appropriated sum, for the purpose of changing the southerly entrance of Emery's Lane to the design shown on State of NH Highway Plan No. F-018-2 (1) recorded at the Rockingham Registry of Deeds, or similar thereto, making the southerly end of Emery's Lane a "T" intersection.

The Board of Selectmen does not recommend this article.

ARTICLE 14: To see if the Town wishes to amend the existing agreement under Section 218 of the Social Security Act by excluding the services performed by election workers for a calendar year in which the remuneration paid for such service is less than \$1,000.00. The \$1,000.00 limit on the excludable amount of remuneration paid in a calendar year for the services specified in this modification will be subject to adjustment for calendar years after 1999 to reflect changes in wages in the economy without any further modification of the agreement, with respect to such services performed during such calendar years, in accordance with Section 218(c)(8)(B) of the Social Security Act.

The Board of Selectmen recommends this article.


ARTICLE 15: To see if the Town will vote to allow a One Percent (1%) discount on such property taxes as are paid in full within Fifteen (15) days from the day the tax warrant is committed to the Tax Collector, the date to be printed on the tax bill.


The Board of Selectmen recommends this article.

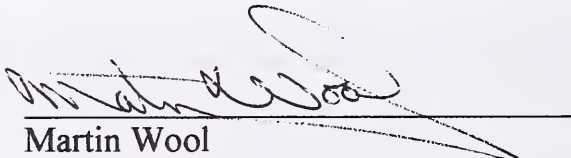
ARTICLE 16: To transact any other business that may legally come before this meeting.

Given under our hands and seal, this twenty second day of February in the year of our Lord nineteen hundred and ninety nine.

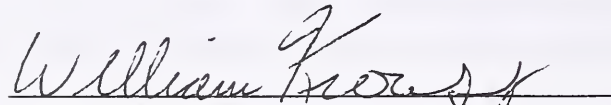
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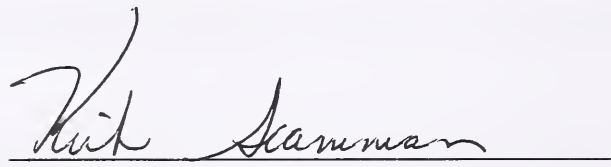
  
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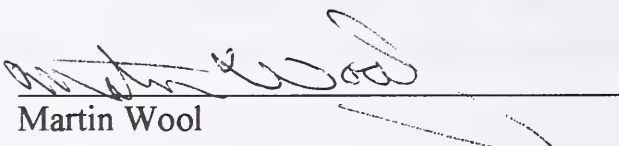
  
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A true copy of Warrant—Attest:

  
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# TOWN BUDGET

	1999 PROPOSED
Executive	\$150,440
Financial Administration	\$74,025
Election & Registration	\$3,530
Legal Expenses	\$50,000
Planning & Zoning	\$116,355
Heritage & Economic Development	\$5,850
General Government Buildings	\$76,807
Police	\$563,024
Animal Control	\$3,000
Fire	\$69,278
Emergency Management	\$1,200
Emergency Dispatch Services	\$38,587
Pest Control	\$26,960
Highways & Streets	\$370,115
Street Lighting	\$5,500
Solid Waste Management	\$356,635
Cemeteries	\$19,500
Health Agencies	\$22,917
Library	\$136,934
Parks	\$33,782
Patriotic Purposes	\$1,350
Recreation	\$28,200
Insurances	\$211,845
Employee Benefits	\$92,091
Unemployment Comp.	\$800
Direct Assistance	\$6,000
Interest On TAN's	\$60,000
Total Appropriation	<u><u>\$2,524,725</u></u>

## Board of Selectmen:

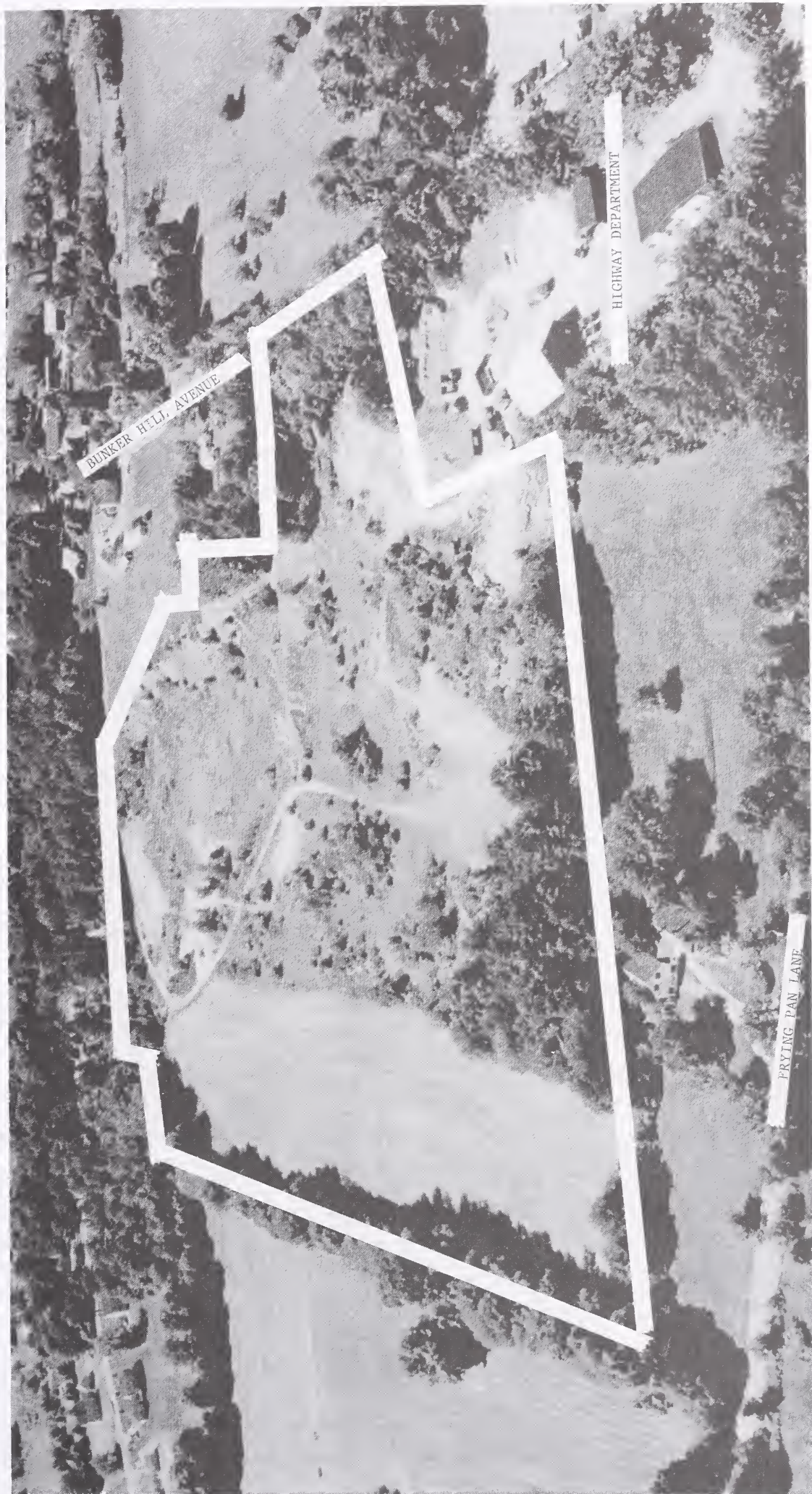
William R. Krooss  
Kirk Scamman  
Martin Wool

## Budget Advisory Committee:

Gordon Bailey  
Victor Collinino  
Robert Holmes  
Christopher Rowe, Sr.  
James Scamman, Sr.

STRATHAM CAPITAL IMPROVEMENTS PROGRAM - PROJECT SUMMARY IN \$000									
AS APPROVED BY THE PLANNING BOARD ON JANUARY 20, 1999									
PROJECT TITLE/DEPARTMENT/YEAR	1999	2000	2001	2002	2003	2004			
GENERAL GOVERNMENT									
Land Conservation Fund	10	15	15	15	15	15			
Municipal Center Improvements	35			25		25			
Steven's Property Acquisition	150								
Office Technologies Upgrade	55.8	20							
PROTECTION OF PERSONS/PROPERTY									
Fire Department Capital Reserve	60	60	50	50	50	50			50
PUBLIC WORKS AND HIGHWAYS									
Dump Truck w/plow		80	80	80					
Sand & Salt Storage Facility		100							
3/4 ton 4wd pickup w/plow	30		30		32				
Public Works Complex						600			
Bunker Hill & Portsmouth Avenue Signalization					350				
CULTURAL & RECREATIONAL ACTIVITIES									
Playing Field Improvements	11.2	25							
Tractor for the Park						20			
TOTALS	352	300	175	170	447	710			





Aerial photo of the Steven's Property Acquisition



# BUDGET OF THE TOWN OF STRATHAM

EXPENSES:	1998 APPROPRIATION	1998 ACTUAL	1999 PROPOSED
Executive	\$156,534	\$158,569	\$150,440
Financial Administration	\$68,983	\$71,123	\$74,025
Election & Registration	\$5,300	\$4,419	\$3,530
Legal Expenses	\$50,000	\$17,634	\$50,000
Planning & Zoning	\$94,924	\$92,084	\$116,355
Heritage & Economic Development	\$10,030	\$6,363	\$5,850
General Government Buildings	\$76,449	\$65,384	\$76,807
Police	\$526,871	\$458,410	\$563,024
Animal Control	\$3,000	\$2,273	\$3,000
Fire	\$75,922	\$70,506	\$69,278
Emergency Management	\$1,200	\$58	\$1,200
Emergency Dispatch Services	\$36,750	\$36,750	\$38,587
Pest Control	\$26,960	\$26,960	\$26,960
Highways & Streets	\$352,677	\$306,607	\$370,115
Street Lighting	\$5,500	\$4,979	\$5,500
Solid Waste Management	\$325,073	\$288,355	\$356,635
Cemeteries	\$18,650	\$12,174	\$19,500
Health Agencies	\$19,817	\$19,817	\$22,917
Library	\$132,147	\$132,147	\$136,934
Parks	\$35,566	\$32,190	\$33,782
Patriotic Purposes	\$750	\$1,305	\$1,350
Recreation	\$25,300	\$19,843	\$28,200
Insurances	\$204,730	\$202,902	\$211,845
Employee Benefits	\$86,844	\$75,697	\$92,091
Unemployment Comp.	\$1,000	\$389	\$800
Direct Assistance	\$6,000	\$1,677	\$6,000
Interest On TAN's	\$60,000	\$57,312	\$60,000
Total Appropriations	\$2,406,977	\$2,165,927	\$2,524,725
REVENUES:			
Land Use Change Tax	\$40,000	\$41,140	\$35,000
Interest & Penalties on Taxes	\$90,000	\$99,094	\$90,000
Yield Tax	\$1,000	\$2,987	\$1,000
Excavation Activity Tax	\$0.00	\$14,557.00	\$0.00
Motor Vehicle Permits	\$825,000	\$900,524	\$875,000
Business Licenses & Permits	\$20,000	\$24,018	\$20,000
Dog Licenses	\$5,000	\$9,163	\$5,000
Shared Revenue	\$168,129	\$188,682	\$188,682
Highway Block Grant	\$86,837	\$87,121	\$85,970
Reimbursements	\$1,200	\$90,860	\$18,900
Income From Departments	\$228,630	\$320,597	\$268,050
Rent of Town Property	\$5,000	\$5,961	\$5,000
Sale of Town Property	\$7,500	\$16,012	\$1,000
Interest on Investments	\$75,000	\$82,878	\$75,000
Cable TV Franchise Fee	\$35,000	\$41,960	\$40,000
Trust & Agency Funds	\$5,000	\$2,000	\$2,000
Total Revenues	\$1,593,296	\$1,927,554	\$1,710,602

**TOWN CLERK'S REPORT**  
JANUARY 1, 1998 - JUNE 30, 1998

AUTOMOBILE REGISTRATIONS	\$444,685.50
TITLE FEES	\$1,336.00
MUNICIPAL AGENT FEES	\$7,695.00
U.C.C. FILINGS	\$1,692.39
VITAL RECORDS	\$755.00
DOG LICENSES	\$3,927.00
DOG FINES	\$291.00
FILING FEES	\$20.00
OTHER LICENSES	\$30.00
TOTAL COLLECTED	<hr/> \$460,431.89
REMITTED TO TREASURER	\$460,431.89

RESPECTFULLY SUBMITTED,

JOYCE A. ROWE  
TOWN CLERK/TAX COLLECTOR

**TOWN CLERK'S REPORT**  
JULY 1, 1998 - DECEMBER 31, 1998

AUTOMOBILE REGISTRATIONS	\$456,724.50
TITLE FEES	\$1,616.00
MUNICIPAL AGENT FEES	\$7,973.00
U.C.C. FILINGS	\$1,519.00
VITAL RECORDS	\$758.00
DOG LICENSES	\$1,374.00
DOG FINES	\$3,571.00
FILING FEES	\$2.00
OTHER LICENSES	\$60.00
TOTAL COLLECTED	<hr/> \$473,597.50
REMITTED TO TREASURER	\$473,594.50

ENDING CASH IN REGISTER	\$220.00
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RESPECTFULLY SUBMITTED,

SHIRLEY S. DALEY  
TOWN CLERK/TAX COLLECTOR

**TAX COLLECTOR'S REPORT**  
**FISCAL YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 31, 1998**  
**JANUARY 1, 1998 - JUNE 30, 1998**  
**TOWN OF STRATHAM**

**DEBITS**

	.....Levies of.....	
Uncollected Taxes - Beginning of Fiscal Year:	1998	1997
Property Taxes		\$1,040,274.34
Land Use Change		\$65,460.00
Yield Taxes		\$3,790.90
 Taxes Committed to Collector:	 \$0.00	
 Overpayments:		
Property Taxes	\$0.00	
 Interest Collected on Delinquent Taxes:	 \$0.00	 \$25,902.36
 TOTAL DEBITS:	 \$0.00	 \$1,135,427.60

**CREDITS**

Remitted to Treasurer During Fiscal Year:		
Property Taxes	\$0.00	\$823,524.73
Land Use Change	\$0.00	\$37,220.00
Yield Taxes	\$0.00	\$2,985.57
Interest	\$0.00	\$25,902.36
Discounts Allowed	\$0.00	\$0.00
 Abatements Made:		
Property Taxes	\$0.00	\$2,294.97
 Uncollected Taxes End of Fiscal Year:		
Property Taxes	\$0.00	\$214,454.64
Land Use Change	\$0.00	\$28,240.00
Yield Taxes	\$0.00	\$805.33
 TOTAL CREDITS:	 \$0.00	 \$1,135,427.60



**TAX COLLECTOR'S REPORT**  
**FISCAL YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 31, 1998**  
**JULY 1, 1998 - DECEMBER 31, 1998**  
**TOWN OF STRATHAM**

**DEBITS**

	.....Levies of.....	
Uncollected Taxes - Beginning of Fiscal Year:	1998	1996
Land Use Change		\$5,280.00
 Taxes Committed to Collector:		
Property Taxes	\$9,603,694.10	
Land Use Change	\$53,070.00	
Yield Taxes		
Excavation Activity Taxes	\$18,971.81	
 Overpayments:		
Property Taxes	\$0.00	
 Interest Collected on Delinquent Taxes	\$2,609.99	\$2,068.96
 TOTAL DEBITS:	\$9,678,345.90	\$7,348.96

**CREDITS**

Remitted to Treasurer During Fiscal Year:		
Property Taxes	\$8,835,515.30	
Land Use Change	\$0.00	\$3,920.00
Interest	\$2,609.99	\$2,068.96
Excavation Activity Taxes	\$14,557.44	
Discounts Allowed	\$57,163.95	
 Abatements Made:		
Property Taxes	\$2,628.62	
Land Use Change	\$0.00	\$1,360.00
Excavation Activity Taxes	\$4,414.37	
 Uncollected Taxes End of Fiscal Year		
Property Taxes	\$708,386.23	
Land Use Change	\$53,070.00	
 TOTAL CREDITS:	\$9,678,345.90	\$7,348.96

**SUMMARY OF TAX LIEN ACCOUNTS**  
**FISCAL YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 1998**  
**JANUARY 1, 1998 - JUNE 30, 1998**  
**TOWN OF STRATHAM**

**DEBITS**

**.....Tax Liens on Acc't of Levies.....**

1997                      1996                      1995

Balance of Unredeemed Liens Beginning of Fiscal Year		\$167,424.08	\$79,645.23
Liens Executed During Fiscal Year	\$226,665.94		
Interest & Costs Collected (After Lien Execution)	\$383.93	\$10,983.33	\$31,266.20
<b>TOTAL DEBITS</b>	<b>\$227,049.87</b>	<b>\$178,407.41</b>	<b>\$110,911.43</b>

**CREDITS**

**REMITTED TO TREASURER:**

Redemptions	\$13,303.14	\$57,470.95	\$75,810.17
Interest/Costs Collected	\$383.93	\$10,983.33	\$31,266.20
Abatements of Unredeemed Taxes			\$572.62
Liens Deeded To Town		\$1,079.75	\$991.33
Unredeemed Liens Balance Year End	\$213,362.80	\$108,873.38	\$2,271.11
<b>TOTAL CREDITS</b>	<b>\$227,049.87</b>	<b>\$178,407.41</b>	<b>\$110,911.43</b>

**SUMMARY OF TAX LIEN ACCOUNTS**  
**FISCAL YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 1998**  
**JULY 1, 1998 - DECEMBER 31, 1998**  
**TOWN OF STRATHAM**

**DEBITS**

	.....Tax Liens on Acc't of Levies.....		
	1997	1996	1995
Balance of Unredeemed Liens Beginning of Fiscal Year	\$213,362.80	\$108,873.38	\$2,271.11
Liens Executed During Fiscal Year			
Interest & Costs Collected (After Lien Execution)	\$9,093.77	\$13,342.52	\$977.76
<b>TOTAL DEBITS</b>	<b>\$222,456.57</b>	<b>\$122,215.90</b>	<b>\$3,248.87</b>

**CREDITS**

**REMITTED TO TREASURER:**

Redemptions	\$114,604.95	\$55,657.21	\$2,271.11
Interest/Costs Collected	\$9,093.77	\$13,342.52	\$977.76
Abatements of Unredeemed Taxes	\$4,883.52		
Liens Deeded To Town	\$1,007.43	\$1,040.38	
Unredeemed Liens Balance Year End	\$92,866.90	\$52,175.79	
<b>TOTAL CREDITS</b>	<b>\$222,456.57</b>	<b>\$122,215.90</b>	<b>\$3,248.87</b>



## TREASURER'S REPORT 1998

### RECEIVED FROM TAX COLLECTOR

1998 Property Tax	S	8,835,515.30
1998 Property Tax Interest	S	2,609.99
1997 Property Tax	S	824,629.96
1997 Property Tax Interest	S	26,031.95
Prior Year Tax Lien Redemptions	S	321,023.61
Prior Year Interest on Redemptions	S	66,153.92
Current Use Land Change Income	S	45,437.79
Yield Tax (Timber Cutting)	S	2,986.53
Excavation Activity Tax	S	14,557.44
<b>TOTAL FROM TAX COLLECTOR</b>	<b>S</b>	<b>10,138,946.49</b>

### RECEIVED FROM TOWN CLERK

Motor Vehicle Permits	S	900,523.50
Dog Licenses And Fines	S	9,163.00
Filing And Other Fees	S	23,456.42
<b>TOTAL FROM TOWN CLERK</b>	<b>S</b>	<b>933,142.92</b>

### RECEIVED FROM INTERGOVERNMENTAL SOURCES

N.H. Revenue Sharing Block Grant	S	188,682.11
N.H. Highway Block Grant	S	86,836.54
Police Grants	S	5,904.04
Rail Road Tax	S	284.35
Land Fill Closure	S	18,067.68
<b>TOTAL FROM INTERGOVERNMENTAL</b>	<b>S</b>	<b>299,774.72</b>

### RECEIVED FROM OTHER SOURCES

Interest on Investments	S	63,892.60
Police Services and Outside Details	S	122,340.72
Donations to Police Department	S	5,000.00
Building Permits	S	106,293.04
Sign Permits	S	50.00
Land Fill Permits	S	517.00
Land Fill Fees	S	20,580.00
Planning Board Fees	S	6,440.00
Board of Adjustment Fees	S	1,942.50
Rent of Town Property	S	5,961.00
Sale of Town Property	S	16,012.01

Sale of Cemetery Lots	\$	5,292.00
Reimbursement for Grave Excavations	\$	3,100.00
Reimbursement for Test Pits	\$	18,744.75
Reimbursement from Trustee of Trust Funds	\$	2,000.00
Reimbursement from Recreation Department	\$	3,990.00
Insurance and Other Refunds	\$	90,859.52
Recycling Program Income	\$	876.59
Donations to Stratham Hill Park	\$	980.00
Public Telephones Income	\$	479.28
Cable TV Franchise	\$	41,959.53
Returned Check Fines	\$	561.90
	\$	<u>517,872.44</u>

<b><u>TOTAL RECEIPTS FOR 1998</u></b>	\$	11,889,736.57
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<b>CASH ON HAND JAN. 1, 1998</b>	\$	2,350,309.88
<b>TOTAL RECEIPTS FOR 1998</b>	\$	11,889,736.57
<b>TAX ANTICIPATION LOAN</b>	\$	3,500,000.00
<b>PAID ON SELECTMEN'S ORDERS</b>	\$	(14,606,926.33)
<b>INVESTMENTS</b>	\$	(2,950,000.00)
<b>MISC. EXPENSES</b>	\$	<u>(56.87)</u>
<b>BALANCE ON HAND DEC. 31, 1998</b>	\$	183,063.25

#### **OTHER ASSETS IN HAND OF TREASURER**

Payroll Account	\$	24,490.47
N.H. Public Deposit Investment Pool	\$	<u>382,011.76</u>
<b>TOTAL OTHER ASSETS</b>	\$	406,502.23

#### **OUTSTANDING BONDS AND SHORT TERM NOTES**

The Town has no outstanding Bonds or Short Term Notes.

Respectfully submitted,

Kenneth F. Lanzillo,  
Town Treasurer

# SUMMARY INVENTORY OF VALUATION TOWN OF STRATHAM IN ROCKINGHAM COUNTY CERTIFICATE

This is to certify that the information contained in this report was taken from the official records and is correct to the best of our knowledge and belief.

William R. Krooss, Kirk Scamman, Martin Wool, Selectmen

1. Valuation of land only:	Acres	Assessment
A. Current use (at c.u. value)	3061.03	\$270,399.00
B. Conservation	0	\$0.00
C. Residential	4084.06	\$93,331,700.00
D. Commercial/Industrial	606.79	\$17,882,400.00
E. Total of Taxable Land	7751.88	\$111,484,499.00
F. Tax Exempt & Non Taxable		(\$4,956,000.00)
2. Value of Buildings only:		
A. Residential		\$246,348,900.00
B. Manufactured Housing		\$2,240,300.00
C. Commercial/Industrial		\$42,161,500.00
D. Total of Taxable Buildings		\$290,750,700.00
E. Exempt & Non Taxable		(\$15,579,300.00)
3. Public Utilities:		
A. Gas		\$316,400.00
B. Electric		\$3,438,000.00
4. Valuation before Exemptions:		\$405,989,599.00
5. Blind Exemption (1)		\$15,000.00
6. Elderly Exemption		\$1,040,000.00
7. Total Dollar Amount of Exemptions		\$1,055,000.00
8. Net Valuation on which Tax Rate is computed		\$404,934,599.00

## TAX CREDITS:

Paraplegic, double amputees owning specially adapted  
homesteads with VA assistance

2

Exempt

Totally and permanently disabled veterans, their spouses  
or widows, and the widows of veterans who died or were  
killed on active duty (\$1,400.)

4

\$5,600.00

Other war service credits (\$100.)

322

\$32,200.00

Total Number and Amount:

328

\$37,800.00



## STATEMENT OF APPROPRIATIONS

Taxes Assessed for the Tax Year 1998

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William Krooss, Kirk Scamman, Martin Wool, Selectmen

### PURPOSE OF APPROPRIATION

#### GENERAL GOVERNMENT

Executive	\$156,534.00
Elections, Registration & Vital Statistics	\$5,300.00
Financial Administration	\$68,983.00
Legal Expenses	\$50,000.00
Personnel Administration	\$86,844.00
Planning and Zoning	\$94,924.00
General Government Buildings	\$76,449.00
Cemeteries	\$18,650.00
Insurance	\$205,730.00

#### PUBLIC SAFETY

Police	\$526,871.00
Fire	\$75,922.00
Emergency Management	\$1,200.00
Emergency Communications	\$36,750.00

#### HIGHWAYS AND STREETS

Highway Department	\$352,677.00
Street Lighting	\$5,500.00

#### SANITATION

Solid Waste Collection	\$325,073.00
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#### HEALTH

Animal Control	\$3,000.00
Pest Control	\$26,960.00
Health Agencies & Hospitals	\$19,817.00

#### WELFARE

Administration & Direct Assistance	\$6,000.00
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#### CULTURE AND RECREATION

Parks	\$35,566.00
Library	\$132,147.00
Patriotic purposes	\$750.00
Recreation	\$35,330.00

**DEBT SERVICE**

Interest on Tax Anticipation Notes	\$60,000.00
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**CAPITAL OUTLAY**

Capital Improvements Program	\$306,500.00
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<b>TOTAL APPROPRIATIONS</b>	<b>\$2,713,477.00</b>
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**REVISED ESTIMATED REVENUES****TAXES**

Land Use Change Taxes	\$40,000.00
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Yield Taxes	\$3,000.00
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Interest and Penalties on Delinquent Taxes	\$90,000.00
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Excavation Activity Tax	\$17,800.00
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**LICENSES, PERMITS AND FEES**

Business Licenses and Permits	\$42,000.00
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Motor Vehicle Permit Fees	\$825,000.00
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Building Permits	\$65,000.00
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Other Licenses, Permits and Fees	\$20,000.00
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**FROM STATE**

Shared Revenues	\$24,991.00
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Meals & Rooms Tax Distribution	\$85,390.00
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Highway Block Grant	\$86,837.00
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Landfill Grant	\$18,000.00
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**CHARGES FOR SERVICES**

Income from Departments	\$165,000.00
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Insurance Refund	\$26,400.00
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**MISCELLANEOUS REVENUES**

Sale of Municipal Property	\$10,000.00
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Interest on Investments	\$75,000.00
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Rent of Town Buildings, Buyouts, & Refunds	\$59,000.00
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**INTERFUND OPERATING TRANSFERS**

Trust and Agency Funds	\$6,000.00
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**GENERAL FUND BALANCE**

Unreserved Fund Balance	\$491,854.00
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Voted from "Surplus"	\$0.00
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Fund Balance - Retained	\$100,000.00
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Fund Balance - Reduce Taxes	\$391,854.00
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<b>TOTAL REVENUES AND CREDITS</b>	<b>\$2,051,272.00</b>
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**DEPARTMENT OF REVENUE ADMINISTRATION  
MUNICIPAL SERVICES DIVISION  
TOWN OF STRATHAM TAX RATE COMPUTATION**

**TOWN PORTION**

Appropriations	\$2,713,477	
Less: Revenues	(\$2,051,272)	
Less: Shared Revenues	(\$10,571)	
Add: Overlay	\$98,732	
War Service Credits	\$37,800	
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Net Town Appropriation		\$788,166
Special Adjustment		\$0
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Approved Town/City Tax Effort		\$788,166

Municipal Tax Rate \$1.95

**SCHOOL PORTION**

Due to Local School	\$4,213,042	
Due to Regional School	\$4,170,241	
Less: Shared Revenues	(\$61,545)	
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Net School Appropriation		\$8,321,738
Special Adjustment		\$0
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Approved School (s) Tax Effort		\$8,321,738

School (s) Tax Rate \$20.55

**COUNTY PORTION**

Due to County	\$537,774	
Less: Shared Revenues	(\$6,186)	
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Net County Appropriation		\$531,588
Special Adjustment		\$0
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Approved County Tax Effort		\$531,588

County Tax Rate \$1.31

**Combined Tax Rate**

\$23.81

Total Property Taxes Assessed	\$9,641,492
Less: War Service Credits	(\$37,800)
Add: Village District Commitment (s)	\$0
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Total Property Tax Commitment	\$9,603,692

**PROOF OF RATE**

Net Assessed Valuation	Tax Rate	Assessment
\$404,934,599	\$23.81	\$9,641,493

## EXPENDITURES

### HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT

Payroll	\$137,216.38
Electricity	\$2,866.23
Gas & Oil	\$9,106.94
Telephone	\$367.87
Tires, Repairs, Etc.	\$18,417.40
Asphalt	\$106,579.44
New Equipment & Tools	\$3,380.89
Rented Equipment	\$5,855.14
Building Maintenance	\$867.02
Salt	\$14,490.99
Sand and Gravel	\$4,940.94
Meals	\$464.48
Culvert Pipe	\$0.00
Guard Rails	\$0.00
Road Paint	\$1,923.55
Substance Abuse Testing	\$130.00
TOTAL	<hr/> \$306,607.27

### POLICE DEPARTMENT

Payroll	\$259,079.57
Prosecutors Expenses	\$931.78
Gas and Oil	\$1,697.93
Uniforms	\$8,608.90
Repairs	\$5,520.20
New Equipment	\$12,212.70
Office Supplies	\$3,216.53
Training	\$3,329.57
Miscellaneous	\$1,608.96
Community Service Program	\$175.00
Special Detail	\$73,671.21
Police Payroll - Specials	\$20,465.14
Repairs - Equipment	\$1,289.83
Office supplies - legal	\$2,109.45
Police payroll - Secretary	\$17,323.50
Police payroll - Prosecutor	\$23,119.20
Cruiser Lease	\$24,050.69
TOTAL	<hr/> \$458,410.16



## SOLID WASTE DISPOSAL

Payroll	\$7,510.95
Fill	\$0.00
Solid Waste Processing	\$151,801.45
Materials and Supplies	\$717.50
Trucking	\$93,379.97
Removal of Scrap	\$241.00
Equipment Rented	\$660.00
Hazardous Waste Collection	\$1,044.63
Recycling	\$0.00
Landfill Closure Annual	\$9,540.00
Transfer Station	\$23,349.09
Electricity	\$110.39
TOTAL	<u>\$288,354.98</u>

## PARK

Payroll	\$22,031.85
Electricity	\$1,465.16
Supplies	\$108.55
Ground Maintenance	\$4,352.03
Building Maintenance	\$358.52
Equipment Maintenance	\$1,593.96
Telephone	\$352.11
New Equipment	\$1,928.21
TOTAL	<u>\$32,190.39</u>

## CEMETERIES

Payroll	\$3,588.91
Excavation	\$1,350.00
Ground Maintenance	\$1,058.92
Equipment Maintenance	\$0.00
Road Maintenance	\$0.00
Supplies	\$0.00
New Equipment	\$0.00
Transfer to Trust Funds	\$4,200.00
Facility Improvements	\$1,976.00
TOTAL	<u>\$12,173.83</u>

COMPARATIVE STATEMENT OF APPROPRIATIONS AND EXPENDITURES

Fiscal Year Ending December 31, 1998

Title of Appropriations	Appropriation	Receipts/ Reimbursements	Total Amount Available	Expenditures	Unexpended Balance	Overdrafts
Executive	\$156,534.00		\$156,534.00	\$158,569.42		\$2,035.42
Financial Administration	\$68,963.00		\$68,963.00	\$71,103.13		\$2,140.13
Planning and Zoning	\$94,924.00	\$114,705.14	\$209,629.14	\$92,084.36	\$117,544.78	
General Government Buildings	\$76,449.00	\$5,961.00	\$82,410.00	\$65,383.01	\$17,026.99	
Police Department	\$526,871.00	\$123,796.72	\$650,667.72	\$458,410.16	\$192,257.56	
Fire Department	\$75,922.00		\$75,922.00	\$70,506.06	\$5,415.94	
Emergency Management	\$1,200.00		\$1,200.00	\$57.81	\$1,142.19	
Highway Department	\$352,678.00		\$352,678.00	\$306,607.27	\$46,070.73	
Street Lighting	\$5,500.00		\$5,500.00	\$4,979.11	\$520.89	
Waste Disposal	\$325,073.00		\$325,073.00	\$288,354.98	\$36,718.02	
Library	\$132,147.00		\$132,147.00	\$132,147.00	\$0.00	
Direct Assistance	\$6,000.00		\$6,000.00	\$1,676.95	\$4,323.05	
Park	\$35,566.00	\$980.00	\$36,546.00	\$32,190.39	\$4,355.61	
Recreation	\$25,300.00	\$3,990.00	\$29,290.00	\$19,842.74	\$9,447.26	
Cemeteries	\$18,650.00	\$3,100.00	\$21,750.00	\$12,173.83	\$9,576.17	
TOTALS	\$1,901,777.00	\$252,532.86	\$2,154,309.86	\$1,714,086.22	\$444,399.19	\$4,175.55

# YEARLY EARNINGS FOR TOWN EMPLOYEES - 1998

Allen, Jason	\$ 100.00	MacDonald, William	270.00
Andolina, Donald	2,860.20	Marchio, Joseph F.	21,619.60
Bakie, Peter G.	36,168.13	Mason, Brenda M.	22,486.40
Barnes, Terry W.	14,426.47	McCallum, Marcia	10,259.00
Barnes, Terry W.	6,880.59	O'Connell, Anthony J.	1,630.00
Beaudet, Richard J.	540.00	Petrosh , John	22,518.63
Beaudoin, Linda A.	17,850.40	Pierce, David D.	46,173.88
Breeling, Cheryn	1,534.50	Pierce, Jeffrey T.	580.00
Breeling, Cheryn	275.00	Qualls, Gregory S.	150.00
Brown, Kathy M.	800.00	Quinn, Christopher	360.00
Bullock, Elizabeth J.	2,039.62	Rochette, Maurice J.	3,173.80
Cisneros, Brian M.	250.00	Rowe, Joyce A.	38,632.85
Connifey, Timothy J.	286.00	Sapienza, Patricia A.	58.50
Cummings, Douglas	209.00	Sawyer, Dawn M.	300.00
Curcio, Ronald P.	9,406.00	Scamman, Kirk	3,000.00
Cyr, Kevin	330.00	Scott Carline	560.00
Daley, Michael	2,369.00	Sewall, Cameron	34,874.55
Daley, Michael J.	46,226.34	Simmons, Thomas F.	200.00
Daley, Shirley S.	32,365.55	Smas, Wendy A.	150.00
Danko, Phyllis L.	18,626.61	Soucy, Linda J.	800.00
Deschaine, Paul R.	45,597.62	Spaulding, Carlton	53,947.11
DiBartolomeo, Tiffany	7,137.00	Spooner, Stuart M.	1,029.00
DiCroce, Michael R.	23,119.20	Stevens, Russell	34,475.16
Douglas, Lawrence	190.00	Stevens, Wayne E.	922.00
Drew, Tammy	3,556.88	Sullivan, Michael	31,738.69
Dubbs, Donald R.	28,869.74	Tretter, Jon D.	300.00
Dziamia, Marissa A.	1,048.00	True, Kyle D.	540.00
Dziamia, Pamela C.	1,865.25	Tucker, Tara	170.00
Gallagher, John C. III	390.00	Turner, Marc	66.00
Garroway, Alexander G.	2,269.50	Walsh, Kevin	4,526.40
Gendron, Richard A.	39,456.08	Wharem, Robert	770.00
Georgacopoulos, Maria	13,963.50	Wheeler, Steven	2,454.60
Gilbert, David L.	6,887.00	White, Donald A., Jr.	154.00
Gobbi, Michael A.	5,849.94	Whitman, Danile A.	110.00
Hankin, Jeremy J.	300.00	Winninger, Susanne	2,405.75
Hawkins, Melinda	13,088.75	Wood, Horace D. IV	110.00
Hutchings, Bradley C.	3,485.90	Wood, Richard	42,035.60
Hutchins, Christopher	209.00	Woods, Stephen J.C.	750.00
Hutton, Fred A. Jr.	44,760.32	Wool, Martin	2,250.00
Jeralds, Tammy A.	1,500.00	Wool, Martin	959.88
Jeralds, William	22,031.85		
Jordan, Robert	190.00		
Kelley, Kevin C.	737.00		
Krooss, William R.	3,000.00		
LaCasse, Sara E.	60.00		
Lampi, Tanya L.	26,098.96		
Lanzillo, Kenneth F.	3,000.00		
Law, Charles	2,970.00		
Law, Richard P.	839.21		
Levesque, Edward	450.00		
MacDonald, Scott	350.00		



**FINANCIAL REPORT  
GENERAL FUND**

Revenues and expenditures for the period January 1, 1998 to December 31, 1998

**A. REVENUES - Modified Accrual**

**1. Revenue from Taxes**

a. Property taxes	\$9,582,596.14
b. Taxes paid to School District	\$8,383,283.00
c. Land Use Change Tax	\$41,140.00
e. Timber (Yield) Taxes	\$1,930.99
g. Other taxes	\$284.35
h. Interest & penalties on delinquent taxes	\$94,795.91
j. Excavation Activity Tax	\$14,557.44
i. TOTAL (excluding line 1b)	\$9,735,304.83

**2. Revenues from licenses, permits, and fees**

b. Motor vehicle permit fees	\$901,410.00
c. Building permits	\$106,342.64
d. Other licenses, permits, and fees	\$32,619.42
e. TOTAL	\$1,040,372.06

**3. Revenues from State of New Hampshire**

a. Shared revenue block grant	\$188,682.11
c. Highway block grant	\$86,836.54
d. Water pollution grants	\$18,067.68
i. TOTAL	\$293,586.33

**4. Revenues from charges for service**

a. Income from departments	\$264,275.82
b. Garbage-refuse charges	\$876.59
c. Other Charges	\$41,959.53
d. TOTAL	\$307,111.94

**5. Revenues from miscellaneous sources**

a. Sale of municipal property	\$21,304.01
b. Interest on investments	\$63,892.60
c. Rents of property	\$5,961.00
d. Fines & forfeits	\$561.90
e. Insurance dividends and reimbursements	\$90,859.52
f. Contributions and donations	\$11,884.04
g. Other miscellaneous sources not classified	\$479.28
h. TOTAL	\$194,942.35



6. Interfund operating transfers in	
a. Transfers from trust and agency funds	\$2,000.00
b. TOTALS	\$2,000.00
7. TOTAL REVENUES FROM ALL SOURCES	\$11,573,317.51
8. TOTAL FUND EQUITY (beginning of year)	\$523,996.65
9. GRAND TOTAL	\$12,097,314.16
<b>B. EXPENDITURES - Modified Accrual</b>	
1. General Government	
a. Executive	\$158,569.42
b. Election, registration and vital statistics	\$5,744.30
c. Financial administration	\$52,874.73
d. Revaluation of property	\$18,248.40
e. Legal expenses	\$17,634.31
f. Personnel administration	\$76,085.71
g. Planning & zoning	\$92,084.36
h. General government building	\$65,383.91
i. Cemeteries	\$12,173.83
j. Insurance not otherwise allocated	\$202,901.93
k. Advertising & regional association	\$0.00
l. Other general government	\$43,112.62
m. TOTAL	\$744,813.52
2. Public Safety	
a. Police	\$458,410.16
b. Fire	\$70,506.06
c. Emergency management	\$57.81
d. Other (communications)	\$36,750.00
e. TOTAL	\$565,724.03
3. Highways and Streets	
a. Highways and Streets	\$306,607.27
b. Street lighting	\$4,979.11
c. TOTAL	\$311,586.38
4. Sanitation	
a. Solid waste disposal	\$288,354.98
b. TOTAL	\$288,354.98

5. Health	
a. Pest control	\$26,960.00
b. Health agencies and hospitals	\$19,817.00
c. Animal control	\$2,273.27
d. TOTAL	\$49,050.27
6. Welfare	
a. Direct assistance	\$1,676.95
7. Culture and recreation	
a. Parks and recreation	\$52,954.13
b. Library	\$132,147.00
c. Patriotic purposes	\$1,305.28
d. TOTAL	\$186,406.41
8. Economic & Heritage Development	
a. Economic Development	\$1,042.51
b. Heritage Commission	\$5,319.96
c. TOTAL	\$6,362.47
9. Debt Service	
a. Interest on tax anticipation notes	\$57,311.96
10. Capital outlay	
a. Land and improvements	\$921.00
b. Machinery, vehicles, and equipment	\$80,000.00
c. Buildings	\$68,014.76
b. Improvements other than buildings	\$18,033.24
c. TOTAL	\$166,969.00
11. Interfund operating transfers out	
a. Transfers to capital reserve funds	\$70,000.00
12. Payments to other governments	
a. Taxes assessed for county	\$537,774.00
b. Taxes assessed for school districts	\$8,383,283.00
c. Payments to other governments	\$1,344.00
d. TOTAL	\$8,922,401.00
13. TOTAL EXPENDITURES	\$11,370,656.97
14. TOTAL FUND EQUITY (end of year)	\$726,657.19
15. GRAND TOTAL	\$12,097,314.16

## GENERAL FUND BALANCE SHEET

### A. ASSETS

	Beginning of year	End of year
1. Current assets		
a. Cash and equivalents	\$2,359,749.04	\$207,553.72
b. Investments	\$362,969.96	\$3,332,011.76
c. Taxes receivable	\$1,047,162.34	\$679,168.85
d. Tax liens receivable	\$247,069.31	\$96,623.93
e. Tax deeded property	\$14,181.00	\$18,299.89
f. TOTAL ASSETS	\$4,031,131.65	\$4,315,358.26

### B. LIABILITIES AND FUND EQUITY

1. Current liabilities		
a. Due to School districts	\$3,507,136.00	\$3,766,479.00
c. Total Liabilities	\$3,507,136.00	\$3,766,479.00
2. Fund equity		
a. Reserve for continuing appropriations	\$32,142.76	\$106,672.76
b. Reserve appropriations voted from surplus	\$0.00	\$0.00
c. Unreserved fund bal.	\$491,853.89	\$442,206.50
d. TOTAL FUND EQUITY	\$523,996.65	\$548,879.26
3. TOTAL LIABILITIES AND FUND EQUITY	\$4,031,132.65	\$4,315,358.26

### A. RECONCILIATION OF SCHOOL DISTRICT LIABILITY

1. School district liability beginning year	\$3,507,136.00
2. Add School assessment for current year	\$8,383,283.00
3. TOTAL LIABILITY WITHIN CURRENT YEAR	\$11,890,419.00
4. SUBTRACT payments made to school	(\$8,123,940.00)
5. School district liability at end of year	\$3,766,479.00

### B. RECONCILIATION OF TAX ANTICIPATION NOTES

1. Short term (TANS) beginning of year	\$0.00
2. Add: New issues during current year	\$3,500,000.00
3. Subtract: Issues retired during current year	(\$3,500,000.00)
4. Short term (TANS) outstanding end of year	\$0.00



### C. ALLOWANCE FOR ABATEMENTS WORKSHEET

	Current Year	Prior Year
1. Overlay/Allowance for abatements	\$98,732.00	\$56,169.87
2. Subtract: Abatements made	(\$8,402.99)	(\$7,751.11)
3. Subtract: Discounts	(\$57,163.95)	\$0.00
4. Subtract: Refunds	(\$3,947.68)	\$0.00
5. Excess of estimate	\$29,217.38	\$48,418.76

### D. TAXES/LIENS RECEIVABLE WORKSHEET

	Taxes	Liens
1. Uncollected, end of year	\$708,386.23	\$145,042.69
2. Subtract: Overlay carried forward	(\$29,217.38)	(\$48,418.76)
3. Receivable, end of year	\$679,168.85	\$96,623.93



## CEMETERY COMMITTEE REPORT

The Cemetery Committee is pleased to report on the following actions taken this past year.

-300 grave stones were pressure washed in Harmony Hill Cemetery as our second year for cleaning all of the old grave stones. We were very pleased with the results and plan to continue the program each year until all grave stones are cleaned.

-Twelve large arborvitae trees were planted along the entrance lane to the Maple Lane Cemetery and several dwarf junipers around the Maple Lane Entrance monuments.

-Removed the broken down fence and large tree stumps on the property line at the Greenwood Cemetery in preparation for a new fence.

-Chris Abrami from Boy Scout Troop 185 selected to update the records for Harmony Hill Cemetery as his project to earn the Eagle Scout Award. The Harmony Hill Cemetery, located directly behind the Stratham Community Church, is one of the older cemeteries in Stratham with burials dating back to the early 1800's. He made a very thorough search of existing records and recorded data from every monument in the cemetery. He prepared a Burial Plot Layout of the cemetery with the names of all those buried in each lot. He also prepared a book with an alphabetical listing of those buried along with the date of birth and death, and the description on each stone. Chris Abrami provided a very important and needed service to the Town in a very professional and outstanding manner.

### Our Plans for 1999:

-Pressure wash another 200 monuments as part of our continuing program to clean all monuments.

-Erect a new fence along the property line at Greenwood Cemetery.

-Investigate the feasibility of a water supply at Greenwood Cemetery and install one if feasible.

-Plant shrubs and/or flowers around the flag pole at Maple Lane Cemetery.

-The Stratham Highway Department, as time permits, continue selective timber cutting on the property donated by Bill Krooss for future expansion of Maple Lane Cemetery.

We again thank the Stratham Highway Department for the exceptional job they do in maintaining the cemeteries.

Respectfully submitted,

Annette White  
Lucy Cushman  
Ken Lanzillo, Cemetery Committee



## POLICE DEPARTMENT REPORT

The Police Department again this year had a very busy year. Both residential and commercial growth in the community has continued. A new Co-operative Middle School has opened. All this growth has increased the day to day population of community and increased the demands on your police department. We feel very fortunate that in April of 1998, aided by a grant from the U. S. Department of Justice, the position of Community Police Officer has been added to our roster. Officer Peter Bakie has been assigned to that position. Officer Bakie is the department's D.A.R.E officer. With the assistance of the Stratham Memorial School he has been presenting the D.A.R.E program to the 5<sup>th</sup> grade class. He is now working with the Middle School students and staff as well. In 1999 he will coordinate additional programs, such as; citizen's academy, self defense for women and radar speed enforcement. The department during 1998 hired two new full-time officers. An opening caused by Officer Michael Gobbi's decision to return to part-time employment with the department provided the department the opportunity to promote Officer Tanya Lampi from part-time to full-time. Officer John Petrosch has been hired to fill the patrol position created by Officer Bakie's reassignment. The department has also implemented a bicycle patrol. Through much effort by Corporal David Pierce, donations were raised to fund the purchase of two bicycles and all the equipment needed to start the program. The bike patrol was used during Halloween. Armed with candy donated by Shaw's, Lindt Sprungli and Market Basket, Officer Peter Bakie and Officer Tanya Lampi took to the town streets on the department's two wheelers. The program was well received by those who were out and about town during Halloween. The bicycle patrols will be utilized during spring, summer and fall.

After twenty years of service with the Stratham Police Department, Lt. Carlton Spaulding has announced his plans for retirement. Lt. Spaulding will be retiring from the department on April 4, 1999. The members of the department want to thank him for his many years of service and wish him well in his future endeavors.

I would like to thank the residents of the Town of Stratham for their continued support of their Police Department.

Alarm activation's	389	D.W.I arrests	28	Missing persons	3
Assaults	5	Disorderly conduct	1	Motor vehicle acc.	256
Alcohol violations	21	Disturbance-Domestic	24	M/V summons	646
Assist to rescue	117	Disturbance-loud party	6	M/V warnings	1379
Assist to town depts.	74	Disturbance-general	38	M/V lock-outs	154
Assist to other depts.	167	Disturbance-fights	7	Miscellaneous calls	127
Animal complaints	177	Forgery / Fraud	1	Police information	44
Assist to fire dept.	74	Fugitive from justice	1	Protective custody	18
Attempt to locate	15	Fish & Game offense	26	Suspicious activity	220
Burglary	8	Harassment	29	Thefts	98
Bad checks	65	Juvenile incidents	54	Town ordinance viol.	13
Criminal mischief	85	Lost/Recovered Prop.	44	Untimely death	1
Citizen assists	365	Littering	7	Unsecured premises	35
Criminal trespass	6	Motor vehicle theft	4	Warrant Arrests	118
Drug violations	5			Welfare Checks	133

Respectfully submitted: Chief Michael Daley

## OFFICE OF EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT

In 1998 the Nuclear Regulatory Commission (NRC), the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) and State of New Hampshire Office of Emergency Management (NHOEM), conducted a comprehensive evaluation of the preparedness, and capability, of Stratham's Office of Emergency Management, to respond to a catastrophic event.

These periodically conducted evaluations required that Stratham's Volunteer Core of Emergency Response Personnel exhibit knowledge, expertise, and capability in safeguarding the Life and Property of the Town of Stratham's residents. These Federal and State Agencies tested Stratham's Emergency Management Personnel in their ability to perform in a professional and exacting manner in dealing with a broad spectrum of hypothetical events so as to assure the safeguarding of life and property.

While transparent to a broad spectrum of our Town's population, these ongoing events, involving the selfless dedication of time and effort of volunteer participants, resulted in an "Exemplary Gradings" by Federal Agencies. As in the past, the Town of Stratham rests at the very top of more than 27 Seacoast Communities, including those in Northern Massachusetts, who participated in this Graded Exercise.

This is significant in that these efforts accrue directly to the advantage and benefit of our Town's citizenry, in assuring that proper and appropriate response systems are maintained, so as to deal with natural and man-made events, that may be visited upon our community.

Respectfully submitted,

Stephen H. Flink,  
Director

## STRATHAM VOLUNTEER FIRE DEPARTMENT

The Stratham Volunteer Fire Department's total call volume decreased from last year which is a welcomed relief from the typical trend. The Town had fewer fire alarms and ambulance calls, however the total call volume is still averaging just over a call per day. Members of the department continue to provide support to the Stratham Fair and teach Fire Prevention to the schools and day care centers.

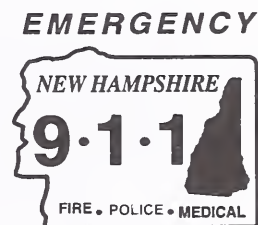
Currently the department is working with fire apparatus manufactures in preparation to replace the 1979 Engine no. 7. A department committee has been working for several months and is expecting to have a proposal completed later on this year. The new forestry unit is performing very well and has been used on several occasions in Town as well as assisting the area departments on fire and rescue calls.

With the communities continued growth, the department faces new challenges. The department members are continually training to meet the needs of the Town.. I would like to thank the department member and their families, the Ladies Auxiliary, the Selectmen, Planning Board and the residents and business owners for their continued support. I would encourage any town resident who may be interested to join the Fire Department. We are always looking for new members.

Respectfully Submitted,  
Robert O. Law, Fire Chief

Fire Emergency	Medical Emergency	M/V Accident	Alarm Activation	Public Assist	Dept. Assist
132	157	52	24	4	1

Total Fire Department Call for 1998: 370





## **REPORT OF TOWN FOREST FIRE WARDEN AND STATE FOREST RANGER**

The State of New Hampshire again had a very busy year in 1998 in terms of wildland fires and the total number of acres burned statewide. This past year saw not only an increase in the total number of fires, but an increase of almost three times the number of acres burned in 1997. Rockingham County alone had over 121 wildland fires and was also home to the largest fire in the state at 70 acres. Over 96% of these fires were human caused, and all human caused fires are preventable.

To aid your Forest Fire Warden, Fire Department, and State Forest Ranger, contact your local Warden to find out if a permit is required before doing any outside burning. State law requires a permit if the ground is not covered with snow, and most towns have local ordinances requiring a permit year round. It should be remembered that penalties for kindling a fire without a permit when a permit is required can include up to \$2,000.00 in fines, up to one year in jail, and paying for the costs of extinguishing such a fire. It is better to be safe and always ask before you strike that match.

In addition to requiring a fire permit, the State of New Hampshire operates 15 fire lookout towers, 3 air patrols, and two mobile patrols. This early detection and reports from helpful citizens aid in the quick response from your local fire department. This is a critical factor in keeping the loss of property and suppression costs as low as possible.

A few simple precautions taken by every citizen will help, as follows:

1. Always get a written permit from the Forest Fire Warden before kindling a fire outdoors when the ground is not covered with snow. Observe all of the rules and regulations on the permit before you light your fire.
2. Only burn clean, untreated wood or brush under 5 inches in diameter.
3. Keep your fire small. A few small fires are better than one big one.
4. Keep a water hose, shovel or rake handy while you burn.
5. Do not leave any fire unattended. This could be disastrous.
6. Make sure your fire is out cold before you leave it. Stir in water with the hot embers until you cannot feel any heat.

The Town of Stratham has a very good, conscientious Forest Fire Warden, and that is your Fire Chief, Robert Law. He also has numerous Deputy Wardens who can assist in matters relative to the control and prevention of wildland fires. All of these personnel are involved with the Fire Department and would be more than happy to answer questions about the proper and safe practices of outdoor burning. All fire personnel statewide would much rather help a citizen beforehand than to have to respond to a problem after the fact. Please help our community and the state remain fire safe by observing all rules and precautions about fires.

Remember, only you can prevent forest fires.

Respectfully submitted,

John Dodge  
State Forest Ranger

**1998 FIRE STATISTICS**  
(All Fires Reported thru December 23, 1998)

**FIRES REPORTED BY COUNTY**

Belknap	44
Carroll	89
Cheshire	67
Coos	18
Grafton	43
Hillsborough	232
Merrimack	108
Rockingham	121
Strafford	64
Sullivan	12
<b>TOTAL FIRES</b>	<b>798</b>
<b>TOTAL ACRES</b>	<b>442.86</b>

**CAUSES OF FIRES REPORTED**

Smoking	59
Debris Burning	38
Campfire	29
Power Line	14
Railroad	9
Equipment Use	24
Lightning	16
Children	95
OHRV	6
Misc.	53
Unknown	140
Fireworks	6
Arson/Suspicious	16
Illegal	231
Rekindle	43
Disposal of Ashes	19

## CODE ENFORCEMENT OFFICER/BUILDING INSPECTOR'S REPORT

The office of the Building Inspector and Code Enforcement Officer has been very busy again this year. The following highlights the major projects in town:

- The Exeter Region Cooperative School on Guinea Road was completed on time to open its doors for the school year without delay.
- The Lindt & Sprungli chocolate factory in the industrial park is adding a second building of approximately 100,000 sq.ft. in size with a connector to the existing building, and a new 2,000 sq.ft. retail store. The original building is undergoing internal improvements, including a new estimated 3,000 sq.ft. quality control lab, in the rear of the existing building.
- Millbrook Office Park has completed their first building off of Portsmouth Avenue and is occupying the building.

ACTIVITY REPORT	98	97
Single family dwelling	47	35
Multi family dwellings/duplex	1	3
Garages, sheds, barns	31	12
Addition/Remodeling	81	89
New Commercial Buildings	2	2
Commercial renovations	15	14
Mobile Homes	1	0
Pools/fences	22	13
Signs	20	27
Demolition Permits	6	1
Total	226	196

Respectfully submitted,

Terry Barnes  
Code Enforcement/Building Inspector



## STRATHAM PLANNING BOARD

The Stratham Planning Board continues its tradition of normally meeting twice each month. The first Wednesday of the month is primarily scheduled for work sessions. These sessions are intended to be more informal meetings where the Board reviews preliminary concepts for applications which allow the applicants to address various Board-generated concerns in their formal application. The third Wednesday of each month is scheduled for Public Hearings where formal Board action may take place. Special sessions are sometimes held when considered necessary and are always publicized in advance. Interested citizens are welcomed and encouraged to attend any of these meetings. Your input is always helpful and appreciated.

The Planning Board expects to have a busy 1999. The Board will continue its participation in the "Circuit Rider" services offered by the Rockingham Planning Commission. This year the Board has again requested grant monies to supplement this contract in order to increase our assistance and to specifically address the potential update of natural resource related ordinances and the Wellhead Protection Program. The Board has also, over the course of this past year, examined the "Cluster Ordinance". The proposed changes are part of this year's Warrant. The Circuit Rider, who provides the Board with planning assistance, has office hours at the Town Office in the morning on the first and third Tuesdays of each month. Appointments may be made by calling the Town Office at 772-7391.

I would like to extend my thanks to everyone associated with the Planning Board for their continued hard work and support throughout the year. I would encourage citizens of Stratham to be involved in planning for Stratham's future, as it's your future too. The quality of Planning Board decisions is directly related to the degree of public participation.

Respectfully submitted,

John Hutton III, Chairman  
Stratham Planning Board



## CONSERVATION COMMISSION

The Stratham Conservation Commission is charged with assisting the Town in preserving and protecting its natural resources. Throughout the year the Commission has reviewed wetlands applications and made recommendations to the State Department of Environmental Services, made recommendations to the Stratham Planning Board regarding proposed changes to Town ordinances and specific project-related issues, and has tried to increase public awareness of the value of conservation easements on open land in Stratham. The Commission would like to extend its thanks to Dr. Henry Saltonstall who put a portion of the Berry Hill Farm on Winnicutt Road into a conservation easement during 1998.

The Commission coordinated a UNH Natural Resources Inventory Project to allow students to conduct a natural resources inventory on the property of Brad Jones on Winnicutt Road. The 77 acre project surveyed trees, vegetation, wildlife, soil types and other natural aspects of the property. The students highlighted the number of large old trees which were growing on the property and emphasized the importance of the properties' ecosystem to the Town. The commission appreciates the cooperation of Mr. Jones in making this project possible and encourages other land owners who have an interest in this type of a survey to contact a member of the Commission.

A photographic display was developed for the Annual Stratham Town Fair which highlighted Town land which is currently designated for conservation and those sites with preservation potential. Photos included the Town forest/pond/cedar swamp, Flossie Wiggin property, Stewart Farm, Mill Valley Farm, The Oxbow, Chapman's Landing and Sandy Point. A portion of a log felled by a beaver in the Town Forest was included with the display and, following the fair, was provided to the children's room at the Town Library for use in an educational display about beavers. The Commission worked with the NH Estuaries Project earlier in the year to develop maps which identify coastal area lands with important natural resources which may be threatened by future development. These maps were also included with the display.

The Commission obtained circular markers and posted these on trees along the perimeter of the Town Forest to help identify the Town land. The Town Forest is the property adjacent to Stratham Hill Park and contains several well-marked walking paths. Arrangements had been made for several portions of the land to be thinned during the winter months to help maintain the forest. However, this was not accomplished due to the unusually mild winter. The Commission plans to attempt this effort again in the new year.

The Stratham Conservation Commission meets the second and fourth Wednesday of each month at 7:30 p.m. in the Town Office building. All members of the community are welcome to attend. If you are interested in either donating land or obtaining a conservation easement on your property, please ask any Commission member for more information.



## HERITAGE COMMISSION

Now in its second year of existence, the Stratham Heritage Commission is forging ahead on its two goals of a comprehensive computerized History of the Town of Stratham and a Veterans Memorial to be located at Stratham Hill Park.

During 1998, the Commission purchased a Gateway PII-450 computer with multi-media capabilities which has been placed at the Stratham Historical Society. The Heritage Commission wishes to express its gratitude to the Historical Society for welcoming us so warmly and for extending its ongoing support. Community leaders attended a recent meeting with the Boy Scouts, Girl Scouts and the Wiggin Memorial Library in an effort to involve the Town's youth in accomplishing our goals. Their enthusiasm was apparent. Together, we plan to establish an educational and informative web site where past and present residents of all ages can have access and contribute to a living and evolving collection of meaningful historical data on the Town of Stratham. A few of the projects mentioned include collecting information on Stratham's historic houses and buildings, historic families, important photographs, the origin of selected street names, town records, town officers through the years, cemetery records and other vital records.

The Commission has assumed a leadership role in a plan to further recognize veterans of Stratham who joined military services at the time of their residency to fight in foreign and domestic wars. As nearly everyone knows there is a wonderful monument dedicated to residents of Stratham who fought in the Civil War and in World War I at Stratham Hill Park. The Stratham Heritage Commission is researching the enlistment of those who were Stratham residents at the time of their induction to fight in the American Revolution, World War II, Korea, Vietnam, the Golf War and other conflicts. Once this somewhat challenging preliminary research is completed, the Heritage Commission plans to turn to current residents for verification of its findings and for additional information. The Commission will then recommend a monument plan to complement the existing Civil War/World War I tribute.

The Heritage Commission would like to take this opportunity to thank Helen LaFave for her work on our Commission as well as her recently published Pictorial History of the Town of Stratham which can be purchased at the Wiggin Memorial Library.

We have open meetings on the last Wednesday of the month and all are encouraged to attend.

Respectfully submitted,

James Scamman, Jr.  
Chairman

## ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE

From its first meeting on June 9, 1997 through the end of 1998, the Economic Development Committee has devoted most of its time and energies to the process of learning. From the beginning, it was clear that economic development embraces a broad range of complex issues being addressed in one way or another by many boards, commissions and agencies at the state and local levels as well as by a number of interested private citizens and businesses. Getting to know who all of the players are and how they interact has been an important undertaking for each member of the Committee.

Stratham is now one of the most rapidly growing communities in New Hampshire. Largely because of its strategic location and its pattern of historical development, people are discovering that Stratham is a desirable place to live. This growth in our residential population appears to be accelerating.

Unless Stratham can attract and retain more businesses, residential tax rates will inevitably rise as our population grows. It was, therefore, essential for the Committee to learn how the people of Stratham viewed the prospect of further economic development. Thus, on March 10, 1998, the Committee conducted a Community Opinion Survey on Economic Development. The most conclusive result of the survey was that 87.4% of those responding favored an economic development initiative to stabilize tax rates. But how such development is to take place was also a significant issue. In various ways, a large number of participants expressed concerns about the environmental impact of development, the preservation of open spaces, and retaining the rural character of the town. The Committee thanks all who took the time to participate in that survey.

Another initiative of the Committee in 1998, that is still on going, is a survey of Stratham's largest manufacturing companies. This survey is being conducted in conjunction with the New Hampshire Department of Resources and Economic Development to provide information on the operations and needs of these firms. The Committee has also been compiling a data base to create a comprehensive list of all the businesses in Stratham. Among other things, this data will enable the Committee to contact these businesses to determine their interest in forming a local business association.

Other undertakings in 1998 and 1999 are the development and maintenance of a Stratham web site designed to interest entrepreneurs to start businesses locally and to attract existing businesses considering relocation. To complement the web site, the Committee plans to prepare a brochure on Stratham as a desirable business location.

The Committee has recently been restored to its full five members with the recent appointment of Sharon Sykas replacing Keith Johnson. In addition, two Associate members have joined, Marcell Botticello and Felix McGuigan. We are looking forward to another productive year.

Stella Scamman  
Bob Holmes  
Worth Slade  
Steve Horlacher

Felix McGuigan  
Sharon Sykas  
Marcell Botticello



## STRATHAM HILL PARK ASSOCIATION

This past spring, after a successful fund raiser, the fire damaged viewing tower was restored. This was made possible through the generous donations from residents, businesses and the Park Association. I would like to thank everyone that donated money and volunteered their time to help complete the project. I especially would like to thank Mike and Donna Maskwa for organizing the fund raiser, and Ken Lanzillo for keeping track of the donations. I also would like to thank Darren's Welding for doing a great job of putting the tower back together.

This year we hope to finalize a plan for a veterans' memorial at the Park. This would include the names of Stratham residents that had served during WW II, Korea, Vietnam, and other conflicts. Names are being compiled by the Stratham Heritage Commission.

The Park Association meets the fourth Monday of the odd month, at 8:30 p.m. in the Selectmen's meeting room.

Thank you,

Gordon L. Barker, President  
Stratham Hill Park Association





## WIGGIN MEMORIAL LIBRARY

Change is a constant, and in 1998 change came apace. Probably nothing has affected life in Stratham as the opening of the new Cooperative Middle School. The Library met the challenge by building ties with the school even as the school itself was being built. Now the Wiggin Library is a presence in the school library and in the classrooms. The payoff is that teenagers of Stratham became a presence in the library.

The Library became more high tech. We installed a new computer system, using a Windows-based program to make searching the Library easier for our patrons. We combined our card catalog, Internet access, and various information sources into a package available at any of eight terminals.

While becoming more high tech, we realized the need to increase the human contact which can get lost in all the new techno toys. We offered the Internet to our patrons, and we began teaching them how to use it. We served the information needs of our teenagers, and we offered them enrichment by opening our summer reading program to them. We changed the way you communicate with us by offering many of our services – book reserves, renewals, reference, magazine article delivery, and interlibrary loan – by electronic mail. We also changed the way we communicate with all of you by launching an old-style newsletter, the Dewey Dispatch.

This need to balance “high tech” with the “high touch” is possibly most visible in our new “Baby Lapsit” program, a story hour for children under the age of 18 months and their parents.

The new information age offers two challenges: first, keep up with the new technology, and second, don’t let the technology keep you from what is important. The Library will continue to address both.

Michael Sullivan  
Director







## RECREATION COMMISSION

The Stratham Recreation Commission is committed to providing recreational opportunities to all Stratham residents, ranging from pre-school programs to senior citizen activities. The Commission emphasizes fair play, sportsmanship and goodwill in all of its programs. The foundation of our programs is our group of volunteers, who work tirelessly to administrate, coach, referee, and perform facility maintenance so we can offer a full array of year-round programs.

The Recreation Commission meets in public session on the first Monday of each month, September through June, and welcomes the participation of all residents. In 1998 and continuing through 1999, the Commission is focusing on the development of activities aimed at individuals of all ages, both athletic and creative in nature. We welcome your input to help develop all of our programs, both existing and new.

On Memorial Day, we dedicated the new baseball field at the Park as the James I. Scamman Field, in honor of Jim Scamman's years of work in the founding and operating of Stratham Youth Baseball. Mr. Scamman's continued support of all of our programs made this dedication meaningful to the hundreds of residents who have participated in the program over the years.

Along with the variety of youth team sports outlined below, we also offer men's basketball, roller skating, aerobics, dance, the annual Easter Egg Hunt, a graduation party for SMS, and numerous field trips. Of special note are the trips we sponsor for the Stratham Seventy Sixers, which include foliage and museum tours.

The Recreation Commission sponsors the following sports programs enjoyed by hundreds of families:

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| <b>Basketball</b> | 275 girls and boys from the first through the sixth grade. We offer recreational programs in addition to 5 <sup>th</sup> & 6 <sup>th</sup> grade travel teams.   |
| <b>Baseball</b>   | 365 children ages 6-15. Programs range from T-ball to Babe Ruth. All-Star 5 <sup>th</sup> & 6 <sup>th</sup> grade teams participate in tournaments through the summer.   |
| <b>Soccer</b>     | 580 girls and boys ages 6-14. We offer coed and girls recreation programs with travel teams playing on a state-wide competitive basis.<br>Congratulations to the Under-14 Boy's Team- <b>Seacoast League Champions and State Finalist.</b> |
| <b>Softball</b>   | 250 girls ages 6-14. Spring programs are recreational and instructional in nature. Summer teams play in the Seacoast League and State Tournaments.   |





## HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT REPORT

After a mild and dry December, 1999 has started out cold and snowy. Here at the Highway Department we're doing our best to keep the roads safe and passable.

Besides winter maintenance, the duties of the Highway Department include caring for the cemeteries, Transfer Station, and municipal parking lots! All this, in addition to maintaining 60 miles of town road (100 streets) year round.

Last year we finished up reconstructing Crestview and paving various streets in Town. We wish to thank the citizens for our new dump truck purchase which came just in time for winter.

In 1999, we hope to pave more streets and do more drainage work all over Town. The way streets are being added its getting harder to keep up without bigger budgets.

Please call us here, or the Town Office, before doing any work along a Town right-of-way to avoid any conflicts. Stone walls should be kept back a good distance to avoid becoming a safety hazard.

We think we do a fine job for just 4 people and appreciate the compliments we receive. Thanks for your cooperation and support. Call us at 772-5550 with any questions.

Thank you

Fred A. Hutton Jr.  
Cameron Sewell  
Russ Stevens  
Donald Dubbs



## REPORT OF THE STRATHAM MOSQUITO CONTROL COMMISSION

Are there mosquitoes flying around your head right now? I hope not, it's winter. Don't worry—it won't be for long. Before you know it, the days will be getting longer and warmer, and mosquitoes will be back, trying to spoil it all.

It is the function of the municipal mosquito control program to lessen the nuisance of mosquitoes as well as to eliminate potential disease carrying mosquitoes, with as little impact on the environment as possible. We use the *Bacillus* bacteria Bti to kill mosquito larvae before they develop into biting adults. This biological insecticide is the best choice for sensitive habitats such as salt marshes where many species coexist. Bti is very specific for mosquito larvae. It breaks down rapidly in sunlight, is nontoxic to nontarget organisms, and effectively controls mosquito larvae.

The adulticiding program, in which truck-mounted Ultra Low Volume (ULV) sprayers dispense a low impact pyrethroid insecticide called Sumithrin, continuously augments the larviciding program. The adulticiding program is one of the most visible aspects of the mosquito control program. You really can't help but notice the loud trucks slowly passing through quiet neighborhoods in the evenings.

We continue our partnership with the NH Dept. of Health & Human Services, testing collected mosquitoes for the presence of Eastern Equine Encephalitis (EEE), a disease that has made the news in other New England states in recent years. We are happy to report that no mosquitoes were found to be carrying EEE in Stratham. Early detection combined with an active control program is the best way to prevent a disease outbreak.

In the weeks prior to the Stratham Fair, we spent a great deal of time in the park eliminating both larval and adult mosquitoes in order to provide the best possible conditions. Carefully timed, thorough treatment of the Park allowed both humans and animals alike to be comfortable at the Fair. We received a lot of verbal appreciation for our efforts as we worked in the Park, and are grateful for the kind words. We would also like to thank Fred Hutton and his Public Works crew for all the help they provided throughout the season.

Residents who do not wish to have their property sprayed for mosquitoes, larvae or adults, should contact the mosquito control program every spring. Send correspondence to Dragon Mosquito Control, Inc., P.O. Box 46 Stratham, NH 03885. Please include your name, address, daytime phone number, size of your property (especially road frontage), and a description of the boundaries (landmarks).

Please feel free to contact us at 778-3906 with any questions or concerns you have about mosquitoes or the mosquito control program. The input of the community helps us serve the Town better.

Respectfully submitted  
Sarah MacGregor  
Dragon Mosquito Control, Inc.  
MZKETO@aol.com



## STRATHAM HISTORICAL SOCIETY, INC.

1998

1998 was a good year for SHS and it's members. Our January program on "Backyard Archaeology" was presented by Martha Pinello, archaeologist at Strawberry Banke. In March, Dr. Robert Dishman of UNH presented a program on "Shays' Rebellion", and how it ended in Exeter. Our annual outing in June took us to South Berwick to the Sarah Orne Jewett house for a private tour, and to the Hamilton House for a house and garden tour, and picnic lunch. In September, we visited the Stuart Farm, where Jim and Lorriane, and daughter Lorraine Merrill gave us the history of the farm, and a wonderful tour. As one of only two remaining dairy farms in Stratham, it is a rare treat to see its' workings close up. Our November program "Slavery in Stratham" was a return visit by Dr. Dishman.

We continued our third grade Memorial School outreach program with a visit to the museum by all the students in that grade. They also saw a slide show on old houses in Stratham and the 250<sup>th</sup> celebration. We continue to provide plaques for old houses in town, free of charge. Thirty persons and organizations donated many artifacts and documents pertaining to Stratham. Our Appraisal Day in April was so overwhelming, we held a second one in September. Other fund raising included bake sales on Election Day, pizza sales at Stratham Fair, and an Antiques Show.

The Stratham Heritage Commission is well settled down in the building. The basement work area is greatly improved with newly painted walls and ceiling, and a new rug.

I would like to call your attention to two projects of interest to Stratham residents. The first is the Eagle Scout project of Joseph Prendergast to redesign and restore the gardens and plantings around the building. The project is being funded by sale to the public, of granite cobblestones engraved with the name of your choice. These cobblestones will form the boundary of the gardens surrounding the Historical Society building.

The second item is a wonderful new book, "Images of America – Stratham", by our own Helen LeFave. This is a pictorial history of Stratham, concentrating on the late 19<sup>th</sup> century, until the mid 20<sup>th</sup> century. Autographed copies are for sale at the Wiggin Memorial Library and at the Historical Society. All sales will benefit both organizations.

SHS is open to the public on Tuesdays, 9-11:30 A.M., Thursdays, 2-4 P.M., the first Sunday of every month, 2-4 P.M., and by appointment. Our scheduled programs are open to the public and are free.

Respectfully submitted,

Barbara K. Mann, President

TOWN OF STRATHAM, NEW HAMPSHIRE

REPORT ON AUDIT OF FINANCIAL STATEMENTS  
DECEMBER 31, 1997



## Bernard, Johnson & Company, P.C.

Certified Public Accountants and Business Advisors

Board of Selectmen  
Town of Stratham  
Stratham, NH 03885

We have audited the general purpose financial statements of the Town of Stratham, New Hampshire, and its combining and individual fund financial statements as of and for the year ended December 31, 1997. In planning and performing our audit, we considered its internal control structure in order to determine our auditing procedures for the purpose of expressing our opinion on the financial statements, and not to provide assurance on the internal control structure. However, we did not note any matters involving the internal control structure and its operation that we consider to be reportable conditions under standards established by the American Institute of Certified Public Accountants. Reportable conditions involve matters coming to our attention relating to significant deficiencies in the design or operation of the internal control system that, in our judgment, could adversely affect the Town's ability to record, process, summarize, and report financial data consistent with the assertions of management in the financial statements.

A material weakness is a reportable condition in which the design or operation of one or more of the internal control structure elements does not reduce to a relatively low level the risk that errors or irregularities in amounts that would be material in relation to the financial statements being audited may occur and not be detected within a timely period by employees in the normal course of performing their assigned functions.

Our consideration of the internal control structure would not necessarily disclose all matters in the internal control structure that might be reportable conditions and, accordingly, would not disclose all reportable conditions that are also considered to be material weaknesses as defined above.

This report is intended solely for the information and use of the Board of Selectmen, Officers, and management. This restriction is not intended to limit the distribution of this report which, upon acceptance, is a matter of public record.

*Bernard, Johnson & Company, P.C.*

Portsmouth, New Hampshire  
August 18, 1998



TOWN OF STRATHAM, NEW HAMPSHIRE  
REPORT ON AUDIT OF FINANCIAL STATEMENTS  
FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 1997

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# Bernard, Johnson & Company, P.C.

Certified Public Accountants and Business Advisors

## INDEPENDENT AUDITORS' REPORT

Board of Selectmen  
Town of Stratham  
Stratham, NH 03885

We have audited the accompanying general purpose financial statements of the Town of Stratham, New Hampshire as of and for the year ended December 31, 1997, as listed in the table of contents. These general purpose financial statements are the responsibility of the Town's management. Our responsibility is to express an opinion on these general purpose financial statements, based on our audit.

We conducted our audit in accordance with generally accepted auditing standards. Those standards require that we plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the general purpose financial statements are free of material misstatement. An audit includes examining, on a test basis, evidence supporting the amounts and disclosures in the general purpose financial statements. An audit also includes assessing the accounting principles used and significant estimates made by management, as well as evaluating the overall general purpose financial statement presentation. We believe that our audit provides a reasonable basis for our opinion.

The Town has not maintained a record of its general fixed assets and accordingly a statement of general fixed assets, required by generally accepted accounting principles, is not presented in the financial report.

In our opinion, the general purpose financial statements referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the financial position of the Town of Stratham as of December 31, 1997, and the results of its operations and cash flows of its proprietary fund types and nonexpendable Trust Funds for the year then ended, in conformity with generally accepted accounting principles.

*Bernard, Johnson & Company, P.C.*

Portsmouth, New Hampshire  
August 18, 1998

COMBINED BALANCE SHEET  
ALL FUND TYPES AND ACCOUNT GROUPS



TOWN OF STRATHAM, NEW HAMPSHIRE

COMBINED BALANCE SHEET  
ALL FUND TYPES AND ACCOUNT GROUPS  
DECEMBER 31, 1997

	Governmental Fund Types		Fiduciary Fund Type	Total (Memorandum only) (Note 4)	
	General	Special Revenue	Trust	1997	1996
<b>ASSETS:</b>					
Cash and cash equivalents	\$2,722,719	\$102,375	\$216,127	\$3,041,221	\$3,415,467
Investments - at market	-	1,300	303,079	304,379	257,235
Receivables					
Taxes-uncollected	1,047,162	-	-	1,047,162	852,575
Taxes-unredeemed	247,070	-	-	247,070	245,347
Tax deeded property	14,181	-	-	14,181	11,086
Due from other funds	-	1,859	-	1,859	1,859
<b>TOTAL ASSETS</b>	<b>4,031,132</b>	<b>105,534</b>	<b>519,206</b>	<b>\$4,655,872</b>	<b>\$4,783,569</b>
<b>LIABILITIES:</b>					
Due to school	3,507,136	-	-	\$3,507,136	\$3,918,131
Deferred revenue	-	98,574	-	98,574	82,842
Due to other funds	-	-	1,859	1,859	1,859
<b>TOTAL LIABILITIES</b>	<b>3,507,136</b>	<b>98,574</b>	<b>1,859</b>	<b>3,607,569</b>	<b>4,002,832</b>
<b>FUND EQUITIES:</b>					
Appropriated	32,142	-	80,293	112,435	106,495
Unappropriated	491,854	6,960	-	498,814	299,256
Unexpendable trust principal	-	-	347,246	347,246	292,402
Expendable trust income	-	-	89,808	89,808	82,584
<b>TOTAL FUND EQUITIES</b>	<b>523,996</b>	<b>6,960</b>	<b>517,347</b>	<b>1,048,303</b>	<b>780,737</b>
<b>TOTAL LIABILITIES AND FUND EQUITY</b>	<b>\$4,031,132</b>	<b>\$105,534</b>	<b>\$519,206</b>	<b>\$4,655,872</b>	<b>\$4,783,569</b>

The accompanying notes are an integral part of these financial statements.



TOWN OF STRATHAM, NEW HAMPSHIRE

COMBINED STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES AND CHANGES IN  
FUND BALANCES - ALL GOVERNMENTAL FUND TYPES AND EXPENDABLE TRUST FUNDS  
FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 1997

	Governmental Fund Types		Fiduciary Fund Type	Totals (Memorandum Only (Note 4))	
	General	Special Revenue	Expendable Trusts	1997	1996
REVENUES:					
Taxes	\$8,771,582	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 8,771,582	\$ 8,831,240
Intergovernmental sources	320,231	-	-	320,231	240,000
Local sources	1,430,143	9,439	-	1,439,582	1,097,000
Investments	78,346	421	18,608	97,375	89,000
TOTAL REVENUES	10,600,302	9,860	18,608	10,628,770	10,258,000
EXPENDITURES:					
General government	706,375	-	2,008	708,383	747,000
Public safety	469,619	-	-	469,619	469,000
Highway and streets	320,082	-	-	320,082	375,000
Sanitation	232,338	-	-	232,338	238,000
Health & welfare	50,362	-	-	50,362	56,000
Parks & recreation	51,922	-	-	51,922	53,000
Debt service	57,852	-	-	57,852	57,000
Capital outlay & special warrants	158,655	-	-	158,655	141,000
Library	-	125,352	-	125,352	110,000
County	543,634	-	-	543,634	555,000
School district	7,670,136	-	27,463	7,697,599	7,445,000
Other	-	-	250	250	-
TOTAL EXPENDITURES	10,260,975	125,352	29,721	10,416,048	10,245,000
EXCESS (DEFICIENCY) OF REVENUES OVER EXPENDITURES	339,327	(115,492)	(11,113)	212,722	13,000
OTHER FINANCING SOURCES (USES)					
Operating transfers-in	-	112,943	10,000	122,943	114,000
Operating transfers-out	(118,624)	-	(4,319)	(122,943)	(114,000)
TOTAL OTHER FINANCING SOURCES (USES)	(118,624)	112,943	5,681	-	-
EXCESS (DEFICIENCY) OF REVENUES AND OTHER SOURCES OVER EXPENDITURES AND OTHER USES	220,703	(2,549)	(5,432)	212,722	13,000
FUND BALANCE - BEGINNING	303,293	9,509	175,533	488,335	475,000
FUND BALANCE - ENDING	\$ 523,996	\$ 6,960	\$170,101	\$ 701,057	\$ 488,000

The accompanying notes are an integral part of these financial statements

COMBINED STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES, AND CHANGES IN  
FUND BALANCES - BUDGET (GAAP BASIS) AND ACTUAL  
GENERAL AND SPECIAL REVENUE FUND TYPES  
FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 1997

	General Fund			Special Revenue Fund Types		
	Budget	Actual	Variance Favorable (Unfavorable)	Budget	Actual	Variance Favorable (Unfavorable)
REVENUES:						
Taxes	\$ 8,676,523	\$ 8,771,582	\$ 95,059	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
Intergovernmental sources	278,506	320,231	41,725	-	-	-
Local sources	1,255,285	1,430,143	174,858	-	9,439	9,439
Investments	60,000	78,346	18,346	-	421	421
TOTAL REVENUES	10,270,314	10,600,302	329,988	-	9,860	9,860
EXPENDITURES:						
General government	653,548	706,375	(52,827)	-	-	-
Public safety	491,439	469,619	21,820	-	-	-
Highway and streets	374,990	320,082	54,908	-	-	-
Sanitation	262,073	232,338	29,735	-	-	-
Health & welfare	56,844	50,362	6,482	-	-	-
Parks & recreation	54,569	51,922	2,647	-	-	-
Debt service	65,000	57,852	7,148	-	-	-
Capital outlay & special warrants	158,708	158,655	53	-	-	-
Library	-	-	-	120,524	125,352	(4,828)
County	543,634	543,634	-	-	-	-
School district	7,670,136	7,670,136	-	-	-	-
Other	-	-	-	-	-	-
TOTAL EXPENDITURES	10,330,941	10,260,975	69,966	120,524	125,352	(4,828)
EXCESS (DEFICIENCY) OF REVENUES OVER EXPENDITURES	(60,627)	339,327	399,954	(120,524)	(115,492)	5,032
OTHER FINANCING SOURCES (USES)						
Operating transfers-in	-	-	-	120,524	112,943	(7,581)
Operating transfers-out	(130,524)	(118,624)	11,900	-	-	-
TOTAL OTHER FINANCING SOURCES (USES)	(130,524)	(118,624)	11,900	120,524	112,943	(7,581)
EXCESS (DEFICIENCY) OF REVENUES AND OTHER SOURCES OVER EXPENDITURES AND OTHER USES	(191,151)	220,703	411,854	-	(2,549)	(2,549)
FUND BALANCE - BEGINNING	303,293	303,293	-	9,509	9,509	-
FUND BALANCE - ENDING	\$ 112,142	\$ 523,996	\$ 411,854	\$ 9,509	\$ 6,960	\$ (2,549)

The accompanying notes are an integral part of these financial statements



TOWN OF STRATHAM, NEW HAMPSHIRE

COMBINED STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES AND CHANGES IN  
FUND BALANCES - ALL PROPRIETARY FUND TYPES & SIMILAR TRUST FUNDS  
FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 1997

	Fiduciary Fund Type Non Expendable Trusts
REVENUES	
New trusts	\$ 7,700
Realized and unrealized gain on investments	47,144
TOTAL REVENUES	54,844
EXPENDITURES	-
EXCESS REVENUES OVER EXPENDITURES	54,844
FUND BALANCE AT BEGINNING OF YEAR	292,402
FUND BALANCE AT END OF YEAR	\$347,246

The accompanying notes are an integral part of these financial statements.

TOWN OF STRATHAM, NEW HAMPSHIRE

COMBINED STATEMENT OF CASH FLOWS  
ALL PROPRIETARY FUND TYPES & SIMILAR TRUST FUNDS  
FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 1997

	Fiduciary Fund Type Non-Expendable Trusts
CASH FLOWS FROM OPERATING ACTIVITIES:	
Operating income	<u>\$54,844</u>
NET CASH PROVIDED BY OPERATIONS	<u>54,844</u>
CASH FLOWS FROM INVESTING ACTIVITIES:	
Purchase of securities	<u>(47,145)</u>
NET CASH USED BY INVESTING ACTIVITIES	<u>(47,145)</u>
NET INCREASE IN CASH	7,699
CASH - BEGINNING	<u>36,468</u>
CASH - ENDING	<u><u>\$44,167</u></u>

The accompanying notes are an integral part of these financial statements

## TOWN OF STRATHAM, NEW HAMPSHIRE

### NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 1997

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#### 1. REPORTING ENTITY:

The Town of Stratham (the Town) was incorporated in 1716 under the laws of the State of New Hampshire and operates under an elected three-member Board of Selectmen. In fiscal year 1997, it was determined that no entities met the required Government Accounting Standards Board statement #14 criteria of component units.

#### 2. SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES:

The accounting policies of the Town of Stratham, New Hampshire, conform to Generally Accepted Accounting Principles (GAAP). The Town's reporting entity applies all relevant Governmental Accounting Standards Board (GASB) pronouncements. Proprietary funds apply Financial Accounting Standards Board (FASB) pronouncements and Accounting Principles Board (APB) opinions unless those pronouncements conflict with or contradict GASB pronouncements, in which case, GASB prevails.

##### Basis of Presentation-Fund Accounting

The activities of the Town are accounted for through the use of several funds. Each fund is a separate accounting entity utilizing separate sets of self-balancing accounts which are summarized by type in the financial statements. The following fund types are used by the Town:

##### Governmental Funds

Government Funds are those through which most governmental functions of the Town are financed. The acquisition, use and balances of the Town's expendable financial resources and the related liabilities (except those accounted for in fiduciary and proprietary funds) are accounted for through governmental funds. The measurement focus is based upon determination of changes in financial position, rather than upon net income determination. The following are the Town's governmental fund types:

**General Fund** - The General Fund is the general operating fund of the Town. It is used to account for all financial resources except those required to be accounted for in another fund. Most revenue and expenditures of a general government nature are accounted for in this fund.

**Special Revenue Funds** - Special Revenue Funds are used to account for the proceeds of specific revenue sources (other than special assessments, expendable trusts, or major capital projects) that are legally restricted to specified purposes.

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TOWN OF STRATHAM, NEW HAMPSHIRE

NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS  
FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 1997  
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Fiduciary Funds

Trust and Agency Funds - Fiduciary Funds are used to account for assets held by the Town in a trustee capacity. These include Expendable Trusts, Non-expendable Trusts and Agency Funds. Non-expendable Trusts are held by the Town whereby the principal balance cannot be spent; however, investment earnings may be spent for the intended purpose, while Expendable Trusts are accounted for similar to governmental funds. Agency Funds are custodial in nature (assets equal liabilities) and do not involve measurement of results of operations.

Basis of Accounting

Basis of Accounting refers to when revenues and expenditures or expenses are recognized in the accounts and reported in the financial statements. Basis of accounting relates to the timing of the measurement made, regardless of the measurement focus applied.

All Governmental Funds and Expendable Trust Funds are accounted or using the modified accrual basis of accounting. Their revenues are recognized when they become measurable and available as net current assets. Taxpayer-assessed income, gross receipts, and sales taxes are considered "measurable" when in the hands of intermediary collecting governments and are recognized as revenue at that time. Anticipated refunds of such taxes are recorded as liabilities and reductions of revenue when they are measurable and their validity seems certain. Property tax revenue is measured in the year levied.

Expenditures are generally recognized under the modified accrual basis of accounting when the related fund liability is incurred. Exceptions to this general rule include: (1) accumulated unpaid vacation, sick pay, and other employee amounts which are not accrued; and (2) principal and interest on general long-term debt which is recognized when due.

All Proprietary Funds and Non-expendable Trust and Pension Trust Funds are accounted for using the accrual basis of accounting. Their revenues are recognized when they are earned and their expenses are recognized when they are incurred.

Use of Estimates - The preparation of financial statements in conformity with generally accepted accounting principles requires management to make estimates and assumptions that affect the reported amounts of assets and liabilities and disclosure of contingent assets and liabilities at the date of the financial statements and the reported amounts of revenues and expenses during the reporting period. Actual results could differ from those estimates.

Cash and cash equivalents - The Town's cash and cash equivalents are considered to be cash on hand, demand deposits, and short-term investments with original maturities of three months or less from the date of acquisition.

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TOWN OF STRATHAM, NEW HAMPSHIRE

NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS  
FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 1997  
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Investments - Investments are stated at market value as required by Statement of Financial Accounting Standards (SFAS) No. 115 Accounting for Certain Investments in Debt and Equity Securities. Marketable equity securities and debt securities should be classified as either held to maturity, trading, or available-for-sale. Debt securities classified as held-to-maturity should be reported in the balance sheet at amortized cost. Trading securities and available-for-sale securities are reported at fair value.

Accounting for Encumbrances - Encumbrance accounting is used for the General Fund and special revenue funds. Encumbrances are recorded when purchase orders are issued but are not considered expenditures until liabilities for payments are incurred. Encumbrances are reported as a reservation of fund balance on the balance sheet. Encumbrances do not lapse at the close of the fiscal year but are carried forward as reserved fund balance until liquidated.

Budgetary Control - An annual appropriated budget is adopted for the Town's general fund. Budgets are prepared by the budget advisory committee and selectmen on a detailed line-item basis. Revenues are budgeted by source. Expenditures are budgeted by department and character (salaries, utilities, supplies, etc.). The budget is voted on and enacted at Town Meeting in the aggregate. The final budget is then presented to the Department of Revenue Administration for their review and approval of the tax rate. Certain limitations set by state statute must be adhered to before the rate is established. Since the budget is voted on in the aggregate the total becomes the legal level of control. Within this control level, the selectmen may transfer appropriations without further action from the Town.

3. APPROPRIATED FUND BALANCE:

The balance in the general fund account - appropriated fund balance - represents unexpended funds for current and previous years special appropriations for the following purposes:

Municipal center improvements	\$17,745
Police computers	13,476
Facilities development	921
	<u>\$32,142</u>

The balance in the trust funds represent unexpended capital reserve accounts established for the following:

Land conservation	<u>\$80,293</u>
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TOTAL COLUMNS ON COMBINED STATEMENTS - OVERVIEW:

Total columns on the Combined Statements are captioned "Memorandum Only" to indicate that they are presented only to facilitate financial analysis. Data in these columns do not present financial position, results of operations or changes in financial position in conformity with generally accepted accounting principles. Such data is not comparable to a consolidation since interfund elimination's have not been made.

PROPERTY TAX CYCLE:

Property taxes are based on values assessed as of April 1, and are normally due by December 1, or thirty days subsequent to mailing date, whichever is later. Taxes due and unpaid after the respective due date are subject to interest at 12%. The Town has an ultimate right to foreclose on property for which taxes have not been paid. 90 days after the taxes become delinquent the tax collector can initiate the tax lien/sale procedure by notifying the taxpayer by certified mail that they have 32 days to pay the bill or a lien shall be recorded against the property at the Registrar of Deeds. Once such lien is placed, interest increases to 18%.

If full redemption of such outstanding tax lien is not timely made within two years of the execution of the lien, including statutory interest and costs accrued thereon, a tax deed may be issued to the holder of such lien pursuant to RSA 80:38 or RSA 80:76, and disposed of as the deed holder shall determine.

PROPERTY, PLANT AND EQUIPMENT:

The Town has not maintained a complete record of general fixed assets and accordingly a complete statement of general fixed assets required by generally accepted accounting principles is not included.

CASH AND INVESTMENTS:

RSA 48:16 requires that all funds belonging to the Town shall be deposited in solvent banks within the state, except funds may be deposited in banks outside the state if such banks pledge and deliver collateral to the state treasurer of equal value as the funds deposited. There is no requirement of an in-state bank to collateralize deposits in excess of FDIC insurance.

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TOWN OF STRATHAM, NEW HAMPSHIRE

NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS  
FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 1997  
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7. CASH AND INVESTMENTS (continued)

The Town's cash deposits and investments at December 31, 1997, are categorized by maturity date and by the level of risk assumed by the Town. The risk categories are defined as follows:

- (1) Insured or collateralized with securities held by the Town or its agent in Town's name;
- (2) Collateralized with securities held by the pledging financial institution's trust department or agent in the Town's name;
- (3) Uncollateralized or uninsured for which securities are held by the financial institution trust department or agent but not in the Town's name.

At December 31, 1997, the Town's deposits and investments consisted of the following:

	<u>Categories</u>			<u>Total</u>	<u>Market</u>
	<u>1</u>	<u>2</u>	<u>3</u>	<u>Cost</u>	<u>Value</u>
Demand deposits	\$246,692	\$ -	\$2,431,559	\$2,678,251	\$2,678,251
Securities	-	-	218,029	218,029	304,379
	246,692	-	2,649,588	2,896,280	2,982,630
Investments not subject to categorization- New Hampshire Public Deposit and Investment Pool	-	-	-	362,970	362,970
	\$246,692	\$ -	\$2,649,588	\$3,259,250	\$3,345,600

8. RECONCILIATION OF BUDGET AS APPROVED AT TOWN MEETING TO GAAP BASIS BUDGET:

Total appropriations - Town Meeting	\$10,480,061
Add: Prior years' appropriations expended	
1996 Facilities Development	11,048
1996 Dump Truck	1,022
1995 Town Clerk Computer	555
Less: 1997 Appropriations carried forward	
Municipal center	(17,745)
Police computers	(13,476)
	<u>\$10,461,465</u>

TOWN OF STRATHAM, NEW HAMPSHIRE

DETAILED STATEMENT OF GENERAL FUND REVENUES, EXPENDITURES  
AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCE - BUDGET (GAAP BASIS) AND ACTUAL  
FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 1997

	Budget	Actual	Variance Favorable (Unfavorable)
REVENUES:			
TAXES:			
Property	\$ 8,741,609	\$ 8,757,820	\$ 16,211
Land use charge	40,000	65,460	25,460
Yield tax	1,000	1,703	703
Discounts	(106,086)	(53,401)	52,685
	<u>8,676,523</u>	<u>8,771,582</u>	<u>95,059</u>
INTERGOVERNMENTAL SOURCES:			
Shared revenues-state	148,342	114,056	(34,286)
Highway subsidies-state	86,414	142,526	56,112
Other-state	43,750	63,649	19,899
	<u>278,506</u>	<u>320,231</u>	<u>41,725</u>
LOCAL SOURCES:			
Outside Police details	50,000	75,651	25,651
Motor vehicle registrations	750,000	797,279	47,279
Franchise fee	36,825	36,825	-
Interest on deposits	60,000	78,346	18,346
Rent & sale of Town property	225,525	224,998	(527)
Permits, filing fees	36,500	42,514	6,014
Dog licenses	4,500	6,228	1,728
Interest & penalties on taxes	50,000	94,747	44,747
Income from departments	62,730	85,354	22,624
Insurance & refunds	32,580	45,143	12,563
Other	6,625	21,404	14,779
	<u>1,315,285</u>	<u>1,508,489</u>	<u>193,204</u>
TOTAL REVENUES	<u>\$10,270,314</u>	<u>\$10,600,302</u>	<u>\$329,988</u>

TOWN OF STRATHAM, NEW HAMPSHIRE

DETAILED STATEMENT OF GENERAL FUND REVENUES, EXPENDITURES  
AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCE - BUDGET (GAAP BASIS) AND ACTUAL  
FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 1997

	Budget	Actual	Variance Favorable (Unfavorable)
EXPENDITURES:			
GENERAL GOVERNMENT:			
Executive	\$150,334	\$149,942	\$ 392
Election, registration, and vital statistics	1,765	4,553	(2,788)
Financial administration	47,841	55,821	(7,980)
Legal	50,000	58,923	(8,923)
Employee benefits	72,285	66,683	5,602
Planning and zoning	74,169	83,560	(9,391)
General government buildings	71,161	60,132	11,029
Cemeteries	16,930	12,765	4,165
Insurance	169,063	172,831	(3,768)
Abatements/Refunds	-	41,165	(41,165)
	653,548	706,375	(52,827)
PUBLIC SAFETY:			
Police	422,619	400,488	22,131
Fire	67,620	68,996	(1,376)
Emergency management	1,200	135	1,065
	491,439	469,619	21,820
HIGHWAYS & STREETS:			
Town maintenance	369,090	315,813	53,277
Street lights	5,900	4,269	1,631
	374,990	320,082	54,908
SANITATION:			
Trash pick-up	262,073	232,338	29,735
HEALTH & WELFARE:			
General assistance	6,000	778	5,222
Health department	21,412	21,412	-
Animal control	3,000	1,740	1,260
Mosquito control	26,432	26,432	-
	56,844	50,362	6,482
PARKS & RECREATION:			
Parks	30,419	28,947	1,472
Recreation	23,400	22,297	1,103
Patriotic	750	678	72
	\$ 54,569	\$51,922	\$ 2,647



TOWN OF STRATHAM, NEW HAMPSHIRE

DETAILED STATEMENT OF GENERAL FUND REVENUES, EXPENDITURES  
AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCE - BUDGET (GAAP BASIS) AND ACTUAL  
FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 1997

	Budget	Actual	Variance Favorable (Unfavorable)
EXPENDITURES (Cont'd)			
DEBT SERVICE:			
Interest - short term	\$ 65,000	\$ 57,852	\$ 7,148
CAPITAL OUTLAY & SPECIAL WARRANTS:			
Police cruisers	25,604	25,551	53
Dispatch service	35,000	35,000	-
Crestview terrace	19,000	19,000	-
Outlook program	1,200	1,200	-
Municipal center	27,255	27,255	-
Forestry vehicle	35,000	35,000	-
Police computers	3,024	3,024	-
Facilities development	11,048	11,048	-
One ton pick-up truck	1,022	1,022	-
Town clerk computer	555	555	-
	158,708	158,655	53
COUNTY	543,634	543,634	-
SCHOOL DISTRICT	7,670,136	7,670,136	-
TOTAL EXPENDITURES	10,330,941	10,260,975	69,966
EXCESS DEFICIENCY OF REVENUES OVER EXPENDITURES	(60,627)	339,327	399,954
OTHER FINANCING SOURCES (USES)			
Operating transfers-in	-	-	-
Operating transfers-out	(130,524)	(118,624)	11,900
TOTAL OTHER SOURCES (USES)	(130,524)	(118,624)	11,900
EXCESS (DEFICIENCY) OF REVENUES AND OTHER SOURCES OVER EXPENDITURES AND OTHER USES	(191,151)	220,703	411,854
FUND BALANCE AT BEGINNING OF YEAR	303,293	303,293	-
FUND BALANCE AT END OF YEAR	\$ 112,142	\$ 523,996	\$411,854

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## VITAL STATISTICS

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BIRTHS REGISTERED IN STRATHAM FOR THE YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 31, 1998

DATE OF BIRTH	NAME OF CHILD	SEX	PLACE OF BIRTH	NAME OF FATHER	MAIDEN NAME OF MOTHER
Jan. 02	Jakob Judson Wiggin	M	Portsmouth	Andrew David Wiggin Sr.	Diana Louise Eddins
Jan. 04	Ruben Rabih Abounaja	M	Exeter	Rabih M. Abounaja	Roula M. Assadi
Jan. 06	Mark Kerivan Lane	M	Exeter	Donald Kerivan Lane Jr.	Therese Lynn Yeazitzis
Jan. 16	Steven William Hazeltine	M	Portsmouth	Bradford Paul Hazeltine	Mary Ann Brady
Jan. 29	Davis William Bedingfield	M	Portsmouth	William Everett Bedingfield	Sarah Scranton
Jan. 30	Richard Michael Daley	M	Exeter	Michael Joseph Daley Jr.	Trisha Beth Ketchum
Jan. 31	Timothy Edward Faulkner	M	Exeter	John Patrick Faulkner	Melanie Jame Phillips
Feb. 07	Nickolas Andrew Ciminera	M	Portsmouth	Andrew Joseph Ciminera Jr.	Lisa Renee Kludo
Feb. 08	Erin Marie Ripley	F	Portsmouth	Daniel Edward Ripley	Kathleen Margaret Riley
Feb. 11	Nicholas James Pafford	M	Portsmouth	Glenn Michael Pafford	Nancy Adele Sprague
Feb. 13	Jeremy Patrick Johnson	M	Exeter	Rogers Jason Johnson	Portia Adele Furcron
Feb. 27	Brendan Teague Boyle	M	Portsmouth	Patrick Joseph Boyle	Stacey Glenn Teague
Mar. 05	John Wesley Franks	M	Exeter	Craig Wesley Franks	Mary Patricia Lucas
Mar. 23	Andrew Ross Johnson	M	Exeter	David Robert Johnson	Michelle Anne Lavigne
Mar. 23	Reid Patrick Chant Leiter	M	Portsmouth	Gregory Nathan Leiter	Jennifer Jeanne Chant
Apr. 03	Mason James Wallace	M	Exeter	Michael Joseph Wallace	Kelly Joy Custer
Apr. 06	Joseph Russell Winslow	M	Portsmouth	Andrew Richard Winslow	Christina Van Kalken
Apr. 10	Danielle Marie Mason	F	Portsmouth	Robert Allen Mason	Flora Jeane Coyle



Apr. 10	Thomas Oliver Mellor	M	Portsmouth	Duncan Charles Mellor	Gail Cowen
Apr. 12	Madison Ashley Sawyer	F	Portsmouth	Jeffrey Shawn Sawyer	Mary Ellen Feszchak
Apr. 14	Isabel Catharine Smith	F	Exeter	David William Smith	Cheryl Ann Maclean
Apr. 17	Alyssa Hope Butkiewicz	F	Portsmouth	William Butkiewicz	Mary Ellen Vining
Apr. 20	Danielle Christine Welts	F	Exeter	Michael Richard Welts	Christine Rogers
Apr. 23	Connor Joseph Fleming	M	Exeter	Thomas Hugh Fleming	Judith Ann Rybinski
Apr. 24	Matthew Thomas Richards	M	Portsmouth	David Allen Richard	Julia Renee Kendall
Apr. 30	Kaylee Ann Murray	F	Portsmouth	Michael James Murray	Rebecca Bekampis
May. 05	Madeline Rose Belanger	F	Exeter	Paul Francis Belanger	Lorraine Serverian
May. 11	Samuel Michael Collins	M	Exeter	Michael Daniel Collins	Vasiliki S. Lillios
May. 26	Kealaonana Danielle Eichholz	F	Exeter	Eric Adam Eichholz	Christine Leimoni Alfiler
May. 30	Brendan Peter Santoro	M	Exeter	Peter Brewster Santoro	Krystyna Badorek
June 03	Brendan Ward Kennedy	M	Portsmouth	Jeffrey Ward Kennedy	Jennifer Marie St. Amand
June 03	Casey Ernest Whalen	M	Exeter	Keith Ernest Whalen	Tamara Ann Pokorny
June 11	Corbin Curtis Tate	M	Derry	David Christopher Tate	Patricia Lynn Adams
June 13	Sarah Caitie Ewart	F	Exeter	Andrew Scott Ewart	Cheryl Lynn Uhler
June 16	Samuel Robert Johnson	M	Exeter	Michael Robert Johnson	Krista Lynn Thompson
June 21	David Starrett Joy	M	Portsmouth	Scott Edwin Joy	Judith Lucy Bourassa
June 21	Eric Craig Joy	M	Portsmouth	Scott Edwin Joy	Judith Lucy Bourassa
July 11	Colin Thomas Coutte	M	Portsmouth	Darren Paul Coutte	Eileen Theresa Joyce

July 20	Alexis Riley Sweet	F	Portsmouth	Bradford Thomas Sweet	Kristen Leigh Macleod
July 24	Tucker James Trussell	M	Portsmouth	Robert James Trussell	Sheryl Ann McLaughlin
Aug. 06	Bailey Jean Grijalva	F	Portsmouth	Robbie Grijalva	Terri Anne Grijalva
Aug. 06	Rachel Anne Zampini	F	Portsmouth	Robert Eugene Zampini	Mary Virginia Deachman
Aug. 10	Megan Alexandra Clark	F	Portsmouth	Todd Daniel Clark	Karen Marie Higgins
Aug. 22	Emily Catherine Brown	F	Portsmouth	Robert Edward Brown	Laura Jeanne Askham
Aug. 27	Emily Louise McDonnell	F	Portsmouth	Michael Charles McDonnell	Katherine Marie Lichty
Sept. 02	Hannah Jules Wilhelm	F	Portsmouth	Michael Scott Wilhelm	Denise Jules
Sept. 07	Kalie Ann Nassoura	F	Portsmouth	Steven Charles Nassoura	Ann Marie Goerki
Sept. 07	Christin Robin Sullivan	F	Portsmouth	Timothy James Sullivan	Robin Dawnna Black
Sept. 10	Connor Leon St. Laurent	M	Portsmouth	Leon Alphee St. Laurent	Lorie Ann Labbe
Oct. 02	Michael Joseph Ippolito	M	Portsmouth	Joseph Walter Ippolito	Kathleen Levesque
Oct. 07	Matthew Vincent Paglia	M	Portsmouth	Richard Michael Paglia	Christie Tara Flagg
Oct. 25	Joshua James Walmsley	M	Portsmouth	Shawn Michael Walmsley	Laurie Ann Broadbent
Nov. 14	Jacob Gregory Snow	M	Portsmouth	George David Snow	Jacquelyn Michele Sofarelli
Nov. 16	Ellis James Wright III	M	Portsmouth	Daniel Martin Wright	Patricia Leigh Chainey
Dec. 16	Liam Joseph Hayes	M	Portland, ME	Stephen Joseph Hayes	Lisa Marie Doan

DEATHS REGISTERED IN STRATHAM FOR THE YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 31, 1998

DATE OF DEATH	NAME	AGE	BIRTH PLACE	NAME OF FATHER	MAIDEN NAME OF MOTHER
Jan. 03	Robert William Patch	62	MA	William Patch	Leonne St. Jean
Jan. 06	John Edward Lebaron	74	VT	Walter Roy Lebaron	Pearle Macleay
Jan. 15	James Anthony Powers	33	NH	Joseph Alfred B. Powers	Patricia Ann Carll
Jan. 18	Eugene J. Carnahan	78	PA	William Hayden Carnahan	Bessie Songer
Jan. 20	Frederick G. Tremallo	63	NJ	Frederick J. Tremallo	Angelina Orlando
Feb. 11	Miriam Vivian Mitchell	60	ME	Martin Best	Dorothy Martin
Feb. 14	George Raymond Brown	81	NH	Charles H. Brown	Eva M. Breck
Mar. 22	William B. Kelly Jr.	77	NJ	William B. Kelly Sr.	Mildred W. Lord
Apr. 05	Joshua Phoenix	97	Scotland	John Phoenix	Mary Chambers
May 26	Dorothy E. Vickery	89	NH	Arthur Nason	Cora Bederman
June 08	Mary T. D'Amato	81	NY	Michael Walsh	Theresa McKinley
June 23	Nellie Godfrey	63	NJ	Henry Mulder	Johanna Nydam
July 03	Muriel Emma Lalond	74	CT	Lester Stephen Burns	Ida M. Reynolds
July 27	Lawrence E. Dowling	67	Nova Scotia	Clark Dowling	Dorothy Doane
July 30	Nelson L. Dolloff	66	NH	Nelson Lane Dolloff	Virginia Wiggin
Aug. 04	Charles Herbert Lawson	60	MA	Thomas W. Lawson	Florence M. Balcom
Aug. 15	Harold Frank Long Jr.	51	PA	Harold F. Long	Eleanor Pfeiffer
Sept. 02	Wilbur Ray Smallwood	80	NY	Irving H. Smallwood	Cora Williams



Oct. 09	William John Knox	54	NJ	William F. Knox	Elizabeth J. Gotz
Oct. 21	Mary B. Hubbard	70	CT	August Bertolf	Florence Hillis
Nov. 15	John Joseph Serwacki	78	MA	John Serwacki	Catherine Woelk
Dec. 13	Thomas A. Spencer	54	MA	Thomas D. Spencer	Lorraine Burchstead
Dec. 20	Agnes Evelyn Sullivan	85	ME	Harry C. Sullivan	Annie Carll
Dec. 26	Samuel Louis Floccher	89	MA	Pasquale V. Floccher	Camille Chestaro

MARRIAGES REGISTERED IN STRATHAM FOR THE YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 31, 1998

DATE	NAME OF GROOM AND BRIDE	STATE OF BIRTH	NAME OF PARENTS	BY WHOM MARRIED
Jan. 09	Paul Matthew Maye Cheryl Ann Bonkowski	England NJ	Anthony Maye Brenda Dorothy White Robert Theodore Bonkowski Sue Ann Henning	Joyce A. Rowe Justice of the Peace Stratham, NH
Feb. 14	Paul D. LaFogg Traci A. Bulens	MA MA	Frank E. LaFogg Linda Barden William J. Bulens Kaye N. O'Connor	J. Jermain Bodine Pastor Stratham, NH
Feb. 15	Lawrence Anthony Nunziato Lori Anne Thomas	NY MA	Michael Nunziato Patricia Ferris Robert Eugene Thomas	Nancy A. Fauci Justice of the Peace Epping, NH
Feb. 28	Rodney Arnold Holland Karen L. Michaud	NH MA	Arnold Roger Holland Elaine L. Pelletier Louis C. Michaud Claudette E. Marois	Kendra G. Kersey Justice of the Peace Greenland, NH
Mar. 21	Jeffrey Scott Bullock Diane Pauline Welsh	OH MA	Gary Berman Bullock Penny Hartman Robert Joseph Beaulieu Rose Virginia Jodoin	Nancy Murphy Justice of the Peace Sandown, NH
Apr. 15	Caleb Scott ham Tara Allen Mansfield	MA MA	Herbert Shepard Ham Dorothy Giles Walter Joseph Mansfield Jr. Judith Allen Hill	Jane Kelley Justice of the Peace Hampton, NH
Apr. 18	Stephen John Scamporino Belinda Clark	MA VA	Geoffredo Fedile Scamporino Rose Ann Leeman Arthur Brodie Clark Emogene Libby-Hobbs	J. Jermain Bodine Pastor Stratham, NH

Apr. 25	James Andrew Gilman Maria Anna Scontras	NH ME	John Shannon Gilman Jennie Fay Clements Peter Andrew Scontras Sophie Brelis	Rev. Lawrence E. Burns Roman Catholic Priest Portsmouth, NH
Apr. 25	Robert G. Parsons Marielena Rios	MA NY	Thomas J. Fini Carol A. Mosher Alberto Rios Maruja Celis	Rev. C. J. Goggin R. C. Priest Bedford, NH
May 30	Brett Hill Nicole Anne Ferrari	NH NH	Donald Francis Hill Maureen Merchant Allen Martin Ferrari Madeline Alberta Varrone	Rev. Maurice J. Rochefort Roman Catholic Priest Exeter, NH
May 30	Mark David Walker Diane Lynn Riefenstahl	NH NY	George Frank Walker Shirley Anne Roper William Peter Riefenstahl Sally Edna Parker	Michael L. C. Henderson Pastor Exeter, NH
June 01	Thomas Wayne Rybinski Erika Lynn McKenzie	NH MA	Chester Damon Rybinski Ann Kaczmarek Barry Gibson McKenzie Karen Ann Odencrantz	Virginia L. Small Justice of the Peace Seabrook, NH
June 05	Allan Edward Scholtz Jr. Lisa Anne Callahan	MA MA	Allan E. Scholtz Sr. Marlene S. Kent Kevin D. Callahan Sr. Grace A. Cosseboom	Margaret E. Louis Justice of the Peace Raymond, NH
June 27	Robert Louis Goldman Karen Frances Hack	NH NH	Rouben Goldman Sylvia Galpert Charles B. Hack Marie Delores Perri	Charline G. Mason Justice of the Peace Exeter, NH
July 01	Kenneth Robert Sparks Marcia Elizabeth Lindsay	MA MA	Ralph H. Sparks Phyllis Carolyn Lefort Irving Stanley Cross Jr. Carol Chase Rogers	Terry H. Shanahan Pastor Rye, NH



July 10	Stephen Robert Friedman Lisa Shepherd Ham	NJ MA	Jack Friedman Jeanette Strelser Herbert Shepherd Ham Dorothy Giles	J. Jermain Bodine Pastor Stratham, NH
July 19	James Peter Masterson III Kim Elizabeth Shuman	CT MA	James Peter Masterson Jr. Dorothy Brower Karl Alexander Shuman Pauline Elizabeth Young	Walter J. Dunfey Justice of the Peace Rye, NH
July 24	Mark Stabile Coleen Elaine Kehoe	MA MA	Harry James Stabile Eleanor Mary Buttimer Daniel Joseph Kehoe Phyllis Marie Lewis	Cushman S. Colby Justice of the Peace Exeter, NH
July 25	Travis William Thompson Sharon Anne MacPhee	OH MA	Roger Blaine Thompson Dianna Lee Basinger Edwin Sumner MacPhee Barbara Jean Morrow	J. Jermain Bodine Pastor Stratham, NH
Aug. 07	Harold Luacaw Gayle Spence	MA Me	Edward W. Luacaw Ethel M. Morrison Ralph G. Spence Marguerite M. Merrill	Nancy A. Fauci Justice of the Peace Epping, NH
Aug. 23	James Robert Seidel Karen Ann Smith	RI MA	Earl Robert Seidel Madeline Atkinson William James Abbott Anna Marie Maher	Michael Sullivan Justice of the Peace Stratham, NH
Aug. 27	Kenneth Wheeler Brown Lisa Marie Stading	NH ME	Warren T. Brown Venita A McQue William L. Freedman Maryanne McIntyre	Jane Kelley Justice of the Peace Hampton, NH
Sept 04	Brian Donald Cyr Martina Elisabeth Tierney	ME MN	Roger Lorian Cyr Marlene Bourque Johannes Emil Klinkmueller Elisabeth Ruth Von Oelhafen	Marie Hikel Justice of the Peace Portsmouth, NH

Sept 05	Gregory Marc Blood Shelley Marie Prince	NH NH	Kenneth Gurnie Blood Diane Leslie Gurand Gary Herman Prince Lorraine Marie Guay	Rev. Maurice J. Rochefort Roman Catholic Priest Exeter, NH
Sept 05	Douglas Clifton Rogers Megan Christine Colgan	NH NY	David Clifton Rogers Peggy Irlene Pinkham Kevin Riddell Colgan Deborah Lynn Sprague	Rev. Everett E. Palmer Minister of Gospel Ashland, NH
Sept 06	Matthew Emerson Hall Christina Gordon Blaisdell	MN VT	Leland Wesley Hall Maureen Marjorie Manning Gary Douglas Blaisdell Nancy Gordon Tracy	Andrew M. Gilman Minister Stratham, NH
Sept 12	John Carroll Holmes Rita Sue Laffey	VA NH	Robert L. Holmes Patricia C. Pauley Ambrose M. Laffey Bette L. Klinger	M. Elaine Beauchesne Justice of the Peace Portsmouth, NH
Sept 26	Bradley Dunbar Marvin Jr. Kristine Elizabeth Terhune	CT MO	Bradley Dunbar Marvin Betsy Augusta Hall Gary S. Terhune Judith A. Thomas	Scott A. Callaway Minister Topsfield, MA
Oct 03	Scott Joseph Bond Tammy Lynn Frain	NH NH	Richard P. Bond Frances Imonti William T. Frain Jr. Dorothy A. Lemay	William C. Saunders Clergyman Kittery, ME
Nov 07	Thomas J. Slater Amy Alice Draper	NH RI	Stephen E. Slater Linda Lee Cottrell George J. Draper Marjorie Maurer	Rev. Agapit H. Jean, Jr. R. C. Priest Portsmouth, NH
Nov 12	Ronald L. Anderson Jr. Susan J. Forsberg	SC NH	Ronald L. Anderson Sr. Gail Ann Staples John D. Forsberg Marianne Farrell	Thomas U. Gage Justice of the Peace Exeter, NH







ANNUAL REPORTS  
OF THE  
SCHOOL DISTRICT  
OF  
STRATHAM, NEW HAMPSHIRE

OFFICERS OF STRATHAM SCHOOL DISTRICT

1998-1999

SCHOOL BOARD

Gordon Bailey	Term Expires, 1999
Sandra Rowe	Term Expires, 1999
Elisabeth Gobin	Term Expires, 2000
Robert O'Sullivan	Term Expires, 2000
William Thompson	Term Expires, 2001

SUPERINTENDENT

Arthur L. Hanson

ASSISTANT SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS

Barbara L. Lobdell

ASSISTANT SUPERINTENDENT  
AND HUMAN RESOURCES MANAGER

Paul A. Flynn

ACTING PRINCIPAL

Tom Fosher

MODERATOR

W. Douglas Scammon, Jr.	Term Expires, 2001
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CLERK

Paula Geppner	Term Expires, 2001
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TREASURER

Edward Geppner	Term Expires, 2001
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AUDITOR

Giordani, Lorti, & Carrigan

SCHOOL NURSE

Judy Lewis

TRUANT OFFICER

Sandra Rowe

SCHOOL DISTRICT WARRANT

THE STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE

To the inhabitants of the School District in the Town of Stratham qualified to vote in District Affairs:

You are hereby notified to meet at the Municipal Center in said District on the ninth day of March, 1999, between the hours of 8:00 o'clock in the morning and 8:00 o'clock in the afternoon for the following purposes:

1. To choose two Members of the School Board for the ensuing three years.

Given under our hands at said Stratham, this 3<sup>rd</sup> day of February, 1999.

Bill Buel  
Jandra L. Rowe  
Rumbert G. Sten  
William J. Thompson  
Robert O. Sullivan

School Board of Stratham, NH

A true copy of Warrant → Attest:

Bill Buel  
Jandra L. Rowe  
Rumbert G. Sten  
William J. Thompson  
Robert O. Sullivan



SCHOOL DISTRICT WARRANT  
1999  
THE STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE

To the inhabitants of the School District of Stratham qualified to vote in School District affairs:

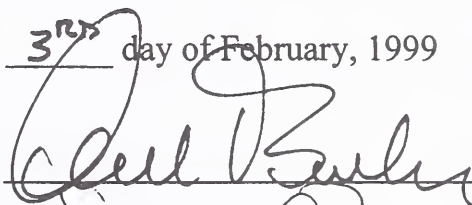

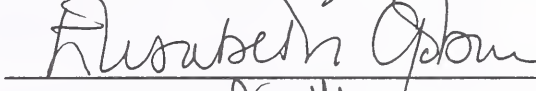

You are hereby notified to meet at the Stratham Memorial School in said District on the fifth day of March, 1999 at seven o'clock in the evening to act on the following subjects:

1. To see if the School District will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$5,049,272.00 for the support of schools, for payment of salaries of School District officials and agents, and for the payment of the statutory obligations of the School District. (The School Board recommends the adoption of this article.)
2. To see if the School District will vote to enter into a collective bargaining agreement with the Stratham Teachers Association (the union representing the teachers in the School District schools) covering the three year period from September 1, 1999 to August 31, 2002, and approve the cost items included therein containing, in summary: change in health insurance coverage from a \$100 Deductible Comprehensive Plan with Managed Care, to which the teachers contribute 3% toward the annual premium, to a \$200 Deductible Comprehensive Plan with Managed Care, to which the teachers will contribute 10% toward the annual premium (resulting in a savings of approximately \$32,689.00 for the 1999-2000 year), continuation of other non-salary benefits, and salary increases so that the approximate increase in the cost of teacher salaries and salary related expenses because of this agreement and step increases for each of the three years (subject to change resulting from changes in the number of and in the educational degrees and years of experience of teachers employed) over the preceding year will be: \$97,056.00 for the 1999-2000 year ( approx. 4.4% over the 1998-1999), and \$105,500.00 for the 2000-2001 year (approx. 4.6% over 1999-2000), and \$97,311.00 for the 2001-2002 year (approx. 4.1% over the 2000-2001 year).

And, further to raise and appropriate the sum of \$64,367.00 for the 1999-2000 year, such sum representing the net additional costs attributable to the increase in the salaries and salary related benefits, less health insurance savings, over those included as part of Article 1, the 1999-2000 budget. (The School Board recommends that the School District enter into this agreement and make this appropriation of \$64,367.00).

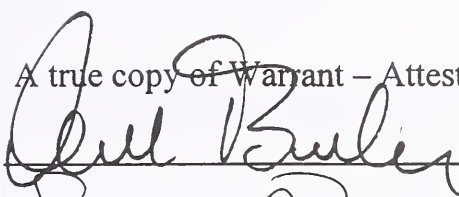

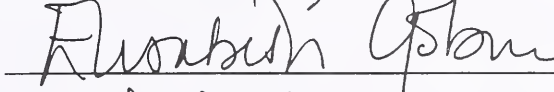

3. To see if the School District will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$83,000.00 for the purpose of establishing an enrichment program (*The Challenge Program*) at Stratham Memorial School. Such sum to cover the costs of a program coordinator's salary and related benefits, additional training for staff, and the purchase of support materials and books to begin to build a program resource center. (The School Board recommends adoption of this article).
4. To hear the reports of Agents, Auditors, Committees, or Officers heretofore chosen and pass any vote relating thereto.
5. To choose Agents, Auditors, and Committees in relation to any single subject embraced in this warrant.
6. To transact any other business which may legally come before this meeting.

Given under our hands at said Stratham this 3<sup>rd</sup> day of February, 1999

  
  
  
  
 Robert O'Sullivan

School Board of Stratham, NH

A true copy of Warrant - Attest:

  
  
  
  
 Robert O'Sullivan

CERTIFICATION ON POSTING OF WARRANT

I certify that on the \_\_\_\_\_ day of February, 1999, I posted copies of the written Warrant, attested by the Stratham School Board of said District, at the place of meeting within named and a like attested copy at the Stratham Municipal Center and the Stratham Post Office, being public places in said pre-existing District.

\_\_\_\_\_  
Gordon Bailey, Stratham School Board Chairman

Rockingham, SS

Personally appeared the said \_\_\_\_\_ and made oath that the above certificate signed by him/her is true.

Before me,

\_\_\_\_\_  
Notary Public



STRATHAM SCHOOL DISTRICT  
REPORT OF THE SCHOOL DISTRICT TREASURER  
for the  
FISCAL YEAR JUNE 30, 1997 THRU JULY 1, 1998

<b>SUMMARY</b>
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CASH ON HAND JULY 1, 1997 ( TREASURER'S BANK BALANCE)	\$596,246.60	
<u>RECEIVED FROM SELECTMEN</u>		
CURRENT APPROPRIATION	\$3,960,716.00	
DEFICIT APPROPRIATION	\$0.00	
BALANCE OF PREVIOUS APPROPRIATIONS	\$0.00	
ADVANCE ON NEXT YEARS APPROPRIATION	\$0.00	
<u>REVENUE FROM STATE SOURCES</u>	\$151,524.46	
<u>REVENUE FROM FEDERAL SOURCES</u>	\$33.35	
<u>RECEIVED FROM TUITIONS</u>	\$11,176.48	
<u>RECEIVED AS INCOME FROM TRUST FUNDS</u>	\$27,463.07	
<u>RECEIVED FROM SALE OF NOTES AND BONDS (PRINCIPAL ONLY)</u>	\$0.00	
<u>RECEIVED FROM CAPITAL RESERVE FUNDS</u>	\$0.00	
<u>RECEIVED FROM ALL OTHER SOURCES</u>	\$200,516.16	
<table border="1"><tr><td>TOTAL RECEIPTS</td></tr></table>	TOTAL RECEIPTS	<u>\$4,351,429.52</u>
TOTAL RECEIPTS		
TOTAL AMOUNT AVAILABLE FOR FISCAL YEAR (BALANCE & RECEIPTS)	\$4,947,676.12	
LESS SCHOOL BOARD ORDERS PAID	(\$4,474,752.94)	
BALANCE ON HAND JUNE 30,1998 (TREASURER'S BANK BALANCE)	\$472,923.18	

JULY 28, 1998  
DATE

PAULA CUSHMAN  
SCHOOL DISTRICT TREASURER

MANAGEMENT LETTER

OF

STRATHAM SCHOOL DISTRICT

For the Year Ended June 30, 1998



Stratham School Board  
Stratham School District  
Stratham, New Hampshire 03885

To the School Board:

We have audited the financial statements of Stratham School District for the year ended June 30, 1998, and have issued our report thereon dated July 30, 1998. As a part of our audit, we reviewed and tested the School District's system of internal accounting control to the extent we considered necessary to evaluate the system as required by generally accepted auditing standards. Under these standards the purpose of such evaluation is to establish a basis for reliance thereon in determining the nature, timing and extent of other auditing procedures that are necessary for expressing an opinion on the financial statements.

The objective of internal accounting control is to provide reasonable but not absolute assurance as to the safeguarding of assets against loss from unauthorized use or disposition, and the reliability of financial records for preparing financial statements and maintaining accountability for assets. The concept of reasonable assurance recognizes that the cost of a system of internal accounting control should not exceed the benefits derived and also recognizes that the evaluation of these factors necessarily requires estimates and judgments by those managing the Stratham School District affairs.

There are inherent limitations that should be recognized in considering the potential effectiveness of any system of internal accounting control. In the performance of most control procedures, errors can result from misunderstanding of instructions, mistakes of judgment, carelessness, or any other of several factors. Control procedures whose effectiveness depends upon segregation of duties can be circumvented intentionally by those managing the Stratham School District affairs with respect to the estimates and judgments required in the preparation of financial statements.

Further projection of any evaluation of internal accounting control to future periods is subject to the risk that the procedures may become inadequate because of changes in conditions and that the degree of compliance with the procedures may deteriorate.

Our study and evaluation of the Stratham School District system of internal accounting control for the year ended June 30, 1998, which was made for the purpose set forth in the first paragraph above, would not necessarily disclose all weaknesses in the system. However, such study and evaluation disclosed the following conditions that we believe should be corrected as soon as possible.



# STRATHAM SCHOOL DISTRICT

## Internal Accounting Control Recommendations

For the Year Ended June 30, 1998

### PREVIOUS RECOMMENDATIONS

#### Property and Equipment (School Board, District Office)

The School District does not maintain records of general fixed assets as a matter of policy. Such assets would consist of such items as: land, buildings, furniture and fixtures, equipment, vehicles, etc. The recording of fixed assets fulfills the stewardship needs to provide for physical and dollar value control, and establishes accountability for capital expenditures over the years.

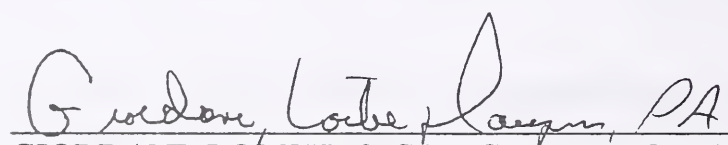
With the recording of fixed assets, the related depreciation could be determined on an annual basis for the purpose of measuring total costs of the School District's services and evaluating the efficiency of programs. This would be particularly true with the food service fund.

We feel very strongly that the institution of the above outlined procedures will lead to more reliable and responsible financial reporting. With government funding being as it is, we know how important reliable financial reporting can be.

We would like to thank everyone involved with the audit for their help and cooperation.

If you have any questions regarding the audit or if we may be of further assistance, please do not hesitate to contact us.

Very truly yours,

  
GIORDANI, LORTIE, & CARIGNAN, PROF. ASSN.  
Certified Public Accountants

Dated: July 30, 1998

GIORDANI, LORTIE & CARIGNAN, PROF. ASSN.  
Certified Public Accountants

A		B	C	D	E	F	G	H
1	ACCT. NUM.	DESCRIPTION	1996-97 BUDGET	1996-97 ACTUAL	1997-98 BUDGET	1997-98 ACTUAL	1998-99 APPROVED	1999-00 PROPOSED
2	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----
3	1100-110	TEACHER SALARIES	1,411,957.00	1,378,489.89	1,316,609.00	1,288,922.89	1,382,094.00	1,390,636.00
4	1100-112	SUBSTITUTES SALARIES	29,000.00	27,302.00	30,000.00	29,764.20	30,000.00	30,000.00
5	1100-330	CONT. SVCS. INSTRUCTION	425.00	0.00	425.00	200.00	18,425.00	425.00
6	1100-331	SEC. 504 CONT. SERVICES	6,500.00	12,691.05	6,000.00	6,221.91	10,000.00	12,000.00
7	1100-370	CURRICULUM DEVELOPMENT	2,000.00	3,241.00	4,000.00	3,155.00	4,000.00	4,000.00
8	1100-375	CURR. DEV KINDER. SCREENING	800.00	1,043.46	800.00	687.82	500.00	500.00
9	1100-564	TUITION - JHS	959,300.00	880,065.82	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
10	1100-565	TUITION - HS	1,900,800.00	1,749,715.37	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
11	1100-610	TEACHING SUPPLIES	38,233.00	33,617.53	34,000.00	33,006.56	37,615.00	34,826.00
12	1100-611	MINI-GRANT	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
13	1100-630	TEXTBOOKS	14,003.00	18,407.77	12,475.00	12,499.17	15,735.00	17,982.00
14	1100-631	WORKBOOKS	2,676.00	2,260.88	6,700.00	6,378.58	11,775.00	16,165.00
15	1100-640	PERIODICALS	150.00	150.00	240.00	219.56	235.00	170.00
16	1100-641	AUDIO-VISUAL MATERIALS	500.00	349.63	725.00	439.73	176.00	300.00
17	1100-741	ADDITIONAL EQUIPMENT	1,082.00	943.24	5,550.00	4,257.08	14,080.00	20,651.00
18	1100-742	REPLACEMENT EQUIPMENT	1,000.00	874.41	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
19	1100-751	FURNITURE	5,500.00	4,480.75	5,000.00	4,674.20	500.00	5,100.00
20								
21								
22		SUBTOTAL-REG. EDUCATION	4,373,926.00	4,113,632.80	1,422,524.00	1,390,426.70	1,525,135.00	1,532,755.00
23								
24	1200-111	SPED DIRECTOR	51,000.00	51,000.04	53,040.00	50,712.77	53,040.00	54,527.00
25	1200-113	SP ED SALARIES	214,275.00	216,460.05	222,218.00	226,460.56	205,715.00	230,672.00
26	1200-115	SP ED SECRETARY	13,067.00	13,006.70	13,587.00	14,342.86	14,404.00	16,164.00
27	1200-118	SP ED AIDES	135,023.00	147,750.93	187,912.00	169,611.44	135,734.00	176,308.00
28	1200-119	SPED SUPPORT SERVICES	179,586.00	188,710.44	253,398.00	250,391.19	256,698.00	261,394.00
29	1200-125	SP ED TUTORS	500.00	198.88	500.00	0.00	500.00	500.00
30	1200-320	SPED TRAINING	2,000.00	1,292.40	1,800.00	494.12	1,800.00	1,800.00
31	1200-330	SP ED CONTRACTED SVS	41,220.00	52,073.66	21,024.00	27,539.45	26,280.00	26,910.00
32	1200-331	SP ED RELATED SVS	35,225.00	32,097.16	26,250.00	20,795.42	20,500.00	21,650.00
33	1200-532	POSTAGE	400.00	384.00	550.00	544.00	550.00	600.00
34	1200-561	TUITION-PUBLIC NH	24,750.00	7,160.00	500.00	825.43	500.00	500.00
35	1200-569	TUIT PRIVATE-NH	51,100.00	56,488.98	29,000.00	5,979.82	6,000.00	24,000.00
36	1200-580	TRAVEL	100.00	287.54	100.00	162.60	100.00	100.00
37	1200-610	SUPPLIES	4,548.00	4,043.37	5,220.00	5,010.73	4,591.00	5,495.00
38	1200-630	TEXTBOOKS	2,599.00	2,453.80	4,862.00	4,506.50	4,151.00	4,282.00
39	1200-641	AUDIO-VISUAL	1,612.00	1,552.28	1,176.00	1,324.48	2,749.00	3,825.00
40	1200-741	EQUIPMENT	1,415.00	4,406.29	1,170.00	1,170.00	1,350.00	2,150.00
41	1200-742	REPLACEMENT EQUIP.	0.00	0.00	338.00	338.00	137.00	683.00
42	1200-751	FURNITURE	517.00	461.26	1,565.00	1,565.00	1,338.00	1,469.00
43								
44	1200	SUBTOTAL-SP. EDUCATION	758,937.00	779,827.78	824,210.00	781,774.37	736,137.00	833,029.00
45								
46	1400-130	CO-CURRICULAR SALARIES	3,000.00	2,900.00	3,000.00	1,304.20	800.00	800.00
47	1400-610	STUDENT BODY ACT.	5,000.00	9,910.00	5,000.00	406.64	3,000.00	1,900.00
48								
49	1400	SUBTOTAL	8,000.00	12,810.00	8,000.00	1,710.84	3,800.00	2,700.00
50								



## Stratham School District 1999-00 Account Detail

A		B	C		D	E	F	G	H
51			1996-97	1996-97	1996-97	1997-98	1997-98	1998-99	1999-00
52	ACCT. NUM.	DESCRIPTION	BUDGET	ACTUAL	BUDGET	ACTUAL	APPROVED	PROPOSED	
53	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----
54	2110-111	ATTENDANCE SERVICES	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
55									
56	2110	SUBTOTAL	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
57									
58	2120-116	GUIDANCE SALARIES	53,952.00	53,843.20	56,892.00	55,829.48	56,732.00	56,732.00	56,732.00
59	2120-330	CONTRACTED SVS-GUIDANCE	900.00	819.74	1,000.00	1,260.78	2,330.00	2,000.00	2,000.00
60	2120-610	SUPPLIES	744.00	769.42	700.00	570.73	700.00	700.00	700.00
61	2120-630	TEXTBOOKS	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
62									
63	2120	SUBTOTAL-GUIDANCE	55,596.00	55,432.36	58,592.00	57,660.99	59,762.00	59,432.00	59,432.00
64									
65	2130-120	NURSE'S SALARY	36,107.00	36,107.00	36,107.00	36,106.99	36,649.00	42,968.00	42,968.00
66	2130-121	NURSE'S ASST.	4,343.00	4,063.98	4,540.00	4,389.83	4,794.00	5,604.00	5,604.00
67	2130-330	CONTRACTED SERVICES	300.00	112.95	300.00	0.00	300.00	200.00	200.00
68	2130-440	REPAIR & MAINTENANCE	65.00	0.00	65.00	85.00	65.00	85.00	85.00
69	2130-610	SUPPLIES	1,000.00	981.03	1,000.00	972.10	1,000.00	1,741.00	1,741.00
70	2130-630	TEXTBOOKS	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
71	2130-741	EQUIPMENT	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
72									
73	2130	SUBTOTAL	41,815.00	41,264.96	42,012.00	41,553.92	42,808.00	50,598.00	50,598.00
74									
75	2210-118	AIDES SALARIES	83,382.00	78,779.30	84,494.00	81,953.04	98,821.00	121,653.00	121,653.00
76	2210-125	INSTR. STAFF TUTORS	500.00	542.90	5,500.00	1,686.84	5,500.00	5,850.00	5,850.00
77	2210-270	COURSE REIMBURSEMENTS	23,000.00	26,388.93	23,000.00	22,882.60	23,000.00	23,000.00	23,000.00
78	2210-290	CONFERENCES	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
79									
80	2210	SUBTOTAL	106,882.00	105,711.13	112,994.00	106,522.48	127,321.00	150,503.00	150,503.00
81									
82	2222-117	MEDIA SALARIES	46,035.00	46,035.00	47,410.00	47,410.00	48,180.00	48,180.00	48,180.00
83	2222-118	MEDIA - AIDES	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
84	2222-330	CONTRACTED SERVICES	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
85	2222-440	MAINTENANCE	2,300.00	1,819.47	2,300.00	1,847.30	2,000.00	2,000.00	2,000.00
86	2222-453	FILM RENTAL	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
87	2222-610	SUPPLIES	1,757.00	1,447.20	1,600.00	1,412.22	1,450.00	1,666.00	1,666.00
88	2222-630	LIBRARY BOOKS	2,500.00	2,411.24	4,000.00	4,028.18	4,000.00	4,000.00	4,000.00
89	2222-640	PERIODICALS	1,868.00	1,891.46	1,660.00	1,722.03	1,730.00	1,532.00	1,532.00
90	2222-641	AUDIO-VISUAL MATERIALS	1,394.00	1,504.38	1,200.00	1,087.84	1,200.00	1,200.00	1,200.00
91	2222-741	EQUIPMENT	3,200.00	3,350.00	2,200.00	520.36	170.00	1,164.00	1,164.00
92	2222-742	REPL. EQUIPMENT	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	680.00	0.00	0.00
93									
94	2222	SUBTOTAL	59,054.00	58,458.75	60,370.00	58,027.93	59,410.00	59,742.00	59,742.00
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	ACCT. NUM.	DESCRIPTION	1996-97 BUDGET	1996-97 ACTUAL	1997-98 BUDGET	1997-98 ACTUAL	1998-99 APPROVED	1999-00 PROPOSED
101								
102								
103								
104	2225-110	TECHNOLOGY COORD. SALARY	33,277.00	32,583.75	34,450.00	23,050.00	35,655.00	37,500.00
105	2225-118	TECHNOLOGY AIDE					6,840.00	4,104.00
106	2225-440	MISC. REPAIRS	500.00	1,028.50	5,000.00	4,245.79	7,400.00	2,000.00
107	2225-610	SUPPLIES	5,000.00	6,703.35	5,000.00	3,173.35	7,130.00	7,644.00
108	2225-641	AUDIO VISUAL	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
109	2225-741	COMPUTER EQUIPMENT	5,400.00	8,376.45	6,500.00	7,894.85	5,100.00	15,260.00
110								
111	2225	SUBTOTAL	44,177.00	48,692.05	50,950.00	38,363.99	62,125.00	66,508.00
112								
113	2310-111	OFFICER SALARIES	6,300.00	6,250.00	6,300.00	6,300.00	6,300.00	6,300.00
114								
115	2310-111	SUBTOTAL	6,300.00	6,250.00	6,300.00	6,300.00	6,300.00	6,300.00
116								
117	2310-300	SCHOOL DIST AUDITOR	4,700.00	4,700.00	4,700.00	4,700.00	4,700.00	4,700.00
118	2310-351	SAU #16 EXPENSE	98,698.00	98,698.00	60,450.00	60,450.00	74,522.00	91,583.00
119	2310-352	SPECIAL ED EXPENSE	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
120	2310-353	SLC EXPENSE	1,200.00	1,120.00	1,200.00	0.00	1,200.00	1,200.00
121	2310-372	LEGAL EXPENSE	9,000.00	8,670.00	9,000.00	1,225.00	9,000.00	9,000.00
122	2310-380	SCHOOL BRD EXPENSE	6,600.00	6,600.00	6,600.00	4,571.27	6,600.00	16,600.00
123								
124	2310	SUBTOTAL	120,198.00	119,788.00	81,950.00	70,946.27	96,022.00	123,083.00
125								
126	2410-114	PRINCIPAL'S SALARY	58,000.00	55,323.16	61,000.00	61,000.00	63,000.00	70,000.00
127	2410-121	ASST. PRINCIPAL'S SALARY	48,500.00	48,499.88	51,000.00	51,000.04	52,500.00	55,000.00
128	2410-115	SECRETARIAL SALARIES	39,663.00	40,101.42	40,904.00	42,002.71	43,871.00	49,337.00
129	2410-130	FACULTY ADVISORY SALARIES	4,050.00	4,050.00	4,050.00	4,050.00	3,600.00	3,600.00
130	2410-330	CONTRACTED SVS-ADMIN	11,307.00	9,481.15	12,892.00	7,280.09	13,260.00	13,000.00
131	2410-440	REPAIR & MAINTENANCE	900.00	2,534.11	900.00	95.98	900.00	900.00
132	2410-531	TELEPHONE	5,600.00	5,730.11	5,700.00	5,976.27	6,800.00	6,800.00
133	2410-532	POSTAGE	2,000.00	2,000.00	2,000.00	2,000.00	2,000.00	2,000.00
134	2410-550	PRINTING	3,500.00	1,574.50	2,000.00	1,160.00	2,000.00	2,000.00
135	2410-580	TRAVEL	500.00	83.82	500.00	648.00	500.00	500.00
136	2410-610	SUPPLIES	9,250.00	8,160.41	5,200.00	4,734.08	5,200.00	5,200.00
137	2410-751	FURNITURE	0.00	0.00	300.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
138	2410-741	EQUIPMENT	400.00	6,400.09	200.00	409.98	200.00	192.00
139	2410-810	DUES/MEMBERSHIPS	800.00	800.00	1,100.00	1,039.00	1,300.00	1,300.00
140	2410-890	MISCELLANEOUS	4,300.00	3,463.09	4,300.00	1,544.08	4,300.00	4,300.00
141								
142	2410	SUBTOTAL	188,770.00	188,201.74	192,046.00	182,940.23	199,431.00	214,129.00
143								
144	2520-111	FISCAL SERVICES	33,810.00	33,810.00	40,539.00	40,539.00	39,552.00	45,096.00
145								
146	2520	SUBTOTAL	33,810.00	33,810.00	40,539.00	40,539.00	39,552.00	45,096.00
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## Stratham School District 1999-00 Account Detail

Stratham School District 1999-00 Account Detail										
A		B	C		D	E	F	G	H	
			1996-97 BUDGET	1996-97 ACTUAL	1997-98 BUDGET	1997-98 ACTUAL	1998-99 APPROVED	1999-00 PROPOSED		
151										
152										
153	ACCT. NUM.	DESCRIPTION								
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155	2540-119	CUSTODIAL SALARIES	28,840.00	28,840.00	30,000.00	30,000.00	31,800.00	35,000.00		
156	2540-122	ASST. CUST. SALARIES	54,276.00	51,985.87	57,021.00	52,461.81	57,650.00	63,822.00		
157	2540-411	L P GAS	950.00	950.00	950.00	0.00	950.00	450.00		
158	2540-412	FUEL OIL		12,328.40	13,000.00	8,099.73	13,000.00	11,000.00		
159	2540-419	ELECTRICITY	10,000.00	53,294.55	50,000.00	53,584.61	54,000.00	56,000.00		
160	2540-440	CONTRACTED MAINTENANCE	48,500.00	12,197.08	13,570.00	11,914.80	34,815.00	36,815.00		
161	2540-521	SMP INSURANCE	12,575.00	8,696.00	10,000.00	7,997.00	10,000.00	10,000.00		
162	2540-522	LIABILITY INSURANCE	12,198.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00		
163	2540-523	TREASURERS BOND	200.00	170.00	200.00	170.00	200.00	200.00		
164	2540-525	INSURANCE VEHICLE	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00		
165	2540-	INSURANCE BOILER	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00		
166	2540-524	INSURANCE NURSE	275.00	211.00	275.00	211.00	275.00	275.00		
167	2540-610	SUPPLIES	13,800.00	13,729.81	12,620.00	12,490.41	13,600.00	13,600.00		
168	2540-741	ADDL. EQUIPMENT	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00		
169	2540-742	REPL. EQUIPMENT	1,100.00	5,060.37	450.00	358.39	600.00	500.00		
170										
171	2540	SUBTOTAL-OPER. OF PLANT	182,714.00	187,463.08	188,086.00	177,287.75	216,890.00	227,662.00		
172										
173	2543-431	TRASH REMOVAL	4,300.00	2,875.06	4,000.00	3,066.41	4,000.00	4,000.00		
174	2543-432	MOWING	9,650.00	9,711.15	7,550.00	7,167.99	9,050.00	9,550.00		
175										
176	2543	SUBTOTAL	13,950.00	12,586.21	11,550.00	10,234.40	13,050.00	13,550.00		
177										
178	2548-870	CONTINGENCY W/ARTICLE	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00		
179										
180	2548	SUBTOTAL	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00		
181										
182	2552-510	PUPIL TRANSPORTATION	302,191.00	280,683.90	149,582.00	149,572.00	149,582.00	132,051.00		
183										
184	2552	SUBTOTAL	302,191.00	280,683.90	149,582.00	149,572.00	149,582.00	132,051.00		
185										
186	2553-511	SP ED TRANSPORTATION	18,648.00	23,280.49	29,476.00	18,819.75	14,900.00	33,455.00		
187										
188	2553	SUBTOTAL SP ED TRANS	18,648.00	23,280.49	29,476.00	18,819.75	14,900.00	33,455.00		
189										
190	2554-510	FIELD TRIPS	5,800.00	6,564.40	5,800.00	3,433.21	7,255.00	6,130.00		
191										
192	2554	SUBTOTAL FLD TRIPS	5,800.00	6,564.40	5,800.00	3,433.21	7,255.00	6,130.00		
193										
194	2560-570	FOOD SERVICE MANAGEMENT	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00		
195										
196	2560	SUBTOTAL FOOD SVC MGMT	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00		
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203	ACCT. NUM.	DESCRIPTION		BUDGET		ACTUAL		BUDGET		ACTUAL		APPROVED		PROPOSED	
204															
205	2900-211	HEALTH INSURANCE		254,545.00		240,510.45		267,230.00		260,542.17		361,555.00		427,108.00	
206	2900-212	DENTAL INSURANCE		13,066.00		11,977.67		13,944.00		12,220.73		15,106.00		16,620.00	
207	2900-213	LIFE INSURANCE		5,848.00		4,937.39		5,598.00		4,856.38		5,565.00		5,666.00	
208	2900-214	WORKERS' COMPENSATION		23,901.00		19,257.40		21,996.00		2,184.15		14,240.00		12,000.00	
209	2900-221	EMPLOYEE RETIREMENT		1,049.00		1,014.67		1,233.00		1,884.36		4,010.00		5,100.00	
210	2900-222	TEACHERS RETIREMENT		46,733.00		45,587.74		55,206.00		51,622.38		55,530.00		59,830.00	
211	2900-230	F.I.C.A.		195,081.00		192,939.60		200,905.00		195,299.43		202,630.00		215,970.00	
212	2900-231	DISABILITY INSURANCE		8,302.00		6,498.94		8,327.00		6,540.12		8,423.00		8,515.00	
213	2900-260	UNEMPLOYMENT COMP.		3,698.00		2,393.29		2,990.00		696.00		2,845.00		2,540.00	
214															
215	2900	SUBTOTAL		552,223.00		525,117.15		577,429.00		535,845.72		669,904.00		753,349.00	
216															
217	4600-730	SITE IMPROVEMENT		42,000.00		40,907.82		2,300.00		6,497.55		6,000.00		2,700.00	
218															
219	4600	SUBTOTAL		42,000.00		40,907.82		2,300.00		6,497.55		6,000.00		2,700.00	
220															
221	5100-830	DEBT SVS. - PRINCIPAL		455,000.00		455,000.00		455,000.00		455,000.00		450,000.00		440,000.00	
222	5100-841	DEBT SVS. - INTEREST		247,715.00		247,715.00		224,363.00		224,362.70		200,500.00		183,600.00	
223		DEBT SVC - EAHS INTEREST		8,316.00		8,178.00		0.00		0.00		0.00		0.00	
224															
225	5100	SUBTOTAL		711,031.00		710,893.00		679,363.00		679,362.70		650,500.00		623,600.00	
226															
227		TOTAL		7,626,022.00		7,351,375.62		4,544,073.00		4,357,819.80		4,685,884.00		4,936,372.00	
228															
229															
230	2560-570	FOOD SERVICE MANAGEMENT **		107,848.00		111,741.76		118,030.00		107,590.17		106,200.00		112,900.00	
231															
232	2560	SUBTOTAL FOOD SVC MGMT **		107,848.00		111,741.76		118,030.00		107,590.17		106,200.00		112,900.00	
233															
234															
235		** As of 1994-95 Food Service is being appropriated at its est. gross amount. This amount will be offset by an equal amount of estimated revenue.													
236		GRAND TOTAL		7,733,870.00		7,463,117.38		4,662,103.00		4,465,409.97		4,792,084.00		5,049,272.00	
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**STRATHAM SCHOOL DISTRICT  
1999-2000 REVENUE PROJECTION**

<b>SOURCE OF REVENUE:</b>	<b>1997-1998 ACTUAL</b>	<b>1998-1999 ADOPTED</b>	<b>1999-2000 PROPOSED</b>
BALANCE (ACTUAL OR ESTIMATED)	\$362,005.00	\$253,525.00	\$65,000.00
BUILDING AID	\$112,500.00	\$112,500.00	\$112,500.00
FOUNDATION AID	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
CHILD NUTRITION	\$0.00	\$106,200.00	\$112,900.00
EARNINGS ON INVESTMENTS	\$23,597.95	\$8,200.00	\$8,000.00
TRUST FUNDS AND GIFTS	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
CATASTROPHIC AID	\$6,294.00	\$1,003.00	\$1,200.00
TUITION	\$12,398.18	\$4,550.00	\$4,500.00
KINDERGARTEN AID	\$72,750.00	\$63,750.00	\$62,250.00
EXETER REGION CO-OP / BUY-OUT	\$29,759.00	\$29,314.00	\$29,300.00
FOOD SERVICE MANAGEMENT	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
OTHER	\$31,324.89	\$0.00	\$0.00
<b>TOTAL REVENUES</b>	<b>\$650,629.02</b>	<b>\$579,042.00</b>	<b>\$395,650.00</b>
<b>DISTRICT ASSESSMENT</b>	<b>\$3,960,716.00</b>	<b>\$4,213,042.00</b>	<b>\$4,653,622.00</b>
<b>TOTAL APPROPRIATION VOTED OR TO BE VOTED BY DISTRICT</b>	<b>\$4,662,103.00</b>	<b>\$4,792,084.00</b>	<b>\$5,049,272.00</b>

Stratham School District

Teachers and Administrators Under Contract	1998-1999 Salaries
Adler, Susan	\$40,829.00
Atherton, Diane	\$35,070.00
August, June	\$48,180.00
Bailey, Janis	\$48,180.00
Batchelder, Laura	\$28,087.00
Bowen-Irish, Tere 60% time	\$25,780.80
Caporello, Laurie 60% time	\$28,908.00
Christilles, Tracey	\$37,103.00
Clare, Jennifer	\$48,180.00
Craig, Deborah	\$42,463.00
Driscoll, Margaret	\$31,158.00
Dunnan, Judith	\$48,180.00
Dupuis, Cathy	\$40,829.00
Eitler, Judy 60% time	\$28,908.00
Ellis, Jacqueline	\$35,371.00
Fennessy, Debra 50% time	\$14,071.00
Fredette, Margaret	\$23,933.00
Fosher, Tom	\$52,500.00
Frame, Sue	\$48,180.00
Gagnon, Gail	\$44,637.00
Gagnon, Stephen	\$33,718.00
Gaudet, Christine	\$48,180.00
Gelineau, Charlene	\$46,373.00
Greenberg, Debra	\$40,478.00
Griffith, Diane 60% time	\$27,823.80
Guilbert, Nancy	\$38,922.00
Hadfield, Karen 30% time	\$10,994.70
Hazeltine, Mary	\$37,103.00
Henson, Cathy	\$48,180.00
Jenness, Mary	\$48,180.00
Lee, Donna	\$44,637.00
Lewald-Ratta, Cindy 50% time	\$20,415.00
Lewis, Judy	\$42,968.00
Maher, Donna	\$44,637.00
McPherson, Cynthia	\$48,180.00
Miller, Suzette	\$42,968.00
Mills, Janet	\$48,180.00
Moreno, Laurie 60% time	\$28,908.00
Morrison, Linda	\$42,830.00
Palmer, MaryEllen	\$31,158.00
Parsons, Lynn	\$48,180.00
Phinney, Melody	\$42,968.00
Remick-Ward, Judith	\$24,803.55
Robinson, Patricia	\$36,649.00
Schultz, Patty	\$29,409.00
Soule, Karen (Resigned)	\$63,000.00

Spencer, Frank 80% time	\$38,544.00
Stevens, Gail	\$48,180.00
Stringham, Carol 70% time	\$30,077.60
Tuveson, Carol	\$42,463.00
Walsh, Paula	\$48,180.00
Wansart, Cathy	\$48,180.00
Warner, Cathy	\$34,305.00
Wigode, Lucinda	\$48,180.00
Zych, Melinda	\$27,847.00



**SUPERINTENDENT'S PRORATED SALARY****1997-1998**

<b>BRENTWOOD</b>	<b>\$3,286.80</b>
<b>EAST KINGSTON</b>	<b>\$2,739.00</b>
<b>EXETER</b>	<b>\$18,525.60</b>
<b>EXETER REGION COOP</b>	<b>\$43,350.90</b>
<b>KENSINGTON</b>	<b>\$2,473.40</b>
<b>NEWFIELDS</b>	<b>\$1,610.20</b>
<b>STRATHAM</b>	<b>\$11,014.10</b>
	<b>\$83,000.00</b>

**ASSISTANT SUPERINTENDENT'S PRORATED SALARY****1997-1998**

<b>BRENTWOOD</b>	<b>\$2,732.40</b>
<b>EAST KINGSTON</b>	<b>\$2,277.00</b>
<b>EXETER</b>	<b>\$15,400.80</b>
<b>EXETER REGION COOP</b>	<b>\$36,038.70</b>
<b>KENSINGTON</b>	<b>\$2,056.20</b>
<b>NEWFIELDS</b>	<b>\$1,338.60</b>
<b>STRATHAM</b>	<b>\$9,156.30</b>
	<b>\$69,000.00</b>

**ASSISTANT SUPERINTENDENT'S PRORATED SALARY****1997-1998**

<b>BRENTWOOD</b>	<b>\$1,366.20</b>
<b>EAST KINGSTON</b>	<b>\$1,138.50</b>
<b>EXETER</b>	<b>\$7,700.40</b>
<b>EXETER REGION COOP</b>	<b>\$18,019.35</b>
<b>KENSINGTON</b>	<b>\$1,028.10</b>
<b>NEWFIELDS</b>	<b>\$669.30</b>
<b>STRATHAM</b>	<b>\$4,578.15</b>
	<b>\$34,500.00</b>

# SAU 16 Report of Administration

Arthur L. Hanson, Ed.D.  
Superintendent of Schools

Barbara L. Lobdell  
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Assistant Superintendent of Schools

The Exeter Region Cooperative Middle School opened its doors in late August for students, staff and the public. All groups appeared unanimous with their impressions of the facility and its setting – outstanding. The building was constructed with the concept that students would be arranged in small clusters, thereby offering a more intimate experience for all students. Coming from an overcrowded school that is approaching 40 years old to a facility that offers a sparkling auditorium, a beautifully appointed Media Center, a gymnasium that can accommodate several physical education classes or athletic teams simultaneously, and classrooms that are equipped for the 21<sup>st</sup> Century has been a wonderful experience for staff and students alike.

The High School Facilities Committee met during the entire 1997 – 1998 school year and through November of this school year. The Exeter Region Cooperative School Board decided, after much deliberation, to postpone taking a plan for renovations and/or new structures to the voters of SAU #16 in March of 1999. The board determined that further study is needed and, at this time, hopes to place a plan before the voters in March of 2000.

The Lincoln Street School Renovations Committee has been meeting all fall to determine how and what to bring to the Exeter voters for the second and last phase of the school renovations. At this time, it looks as if the project will cost approximately 1.9 million dollars. The second phase will address Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) issues, windows, site work, casework, interior painting, plumbing, heating, new floor tile, stair treads, roofing concerns, and other maintenance issues that the school has needed to correct for several years.

The student enrollment of most of the SAU #16 schools continue to exceed projections and many of the schools have record enrollments. The Cooperative Middle School and Exeter High School currently have 1274 and 1371 students respectively. The Swasey Elementary School in Brentwood has 243 students; Newfields Elementary has 137 students; East Kingston Elementary has 155 students; Stratham Memorial has 632 students; and Kensington Elementary with 149 students. These schools are experiencing unprecedented growth. Brentwood, Kensington, Newfields, and East Kingston are placing plans before the voters for building additions or are in the process of studying

space needs. The Exeter Elementary Schools are demonstrating a declining enrollment with their student populations

There is a sense of collaboration with the individual school districts. The hiring of a SAU wide curriculum coordinator this year is an important step in this direction. It is paramount that all students in the SAU have a "common" curriculum, and a variety of assessment measures are being established to ensure that national, state and local standards are not only being taught, but learned.

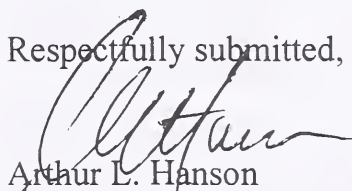
Additionally, representatives from the SAU Schools, board members, police and fire personnel and citizens from the six communities gathered during the summer to be trained further in "Crisis Management and Emergency Response". The training was provided by the New Hampshire Fire Academy and the Exeter Police and Fire Departments. A follow-up session was held in November with future meetings scheduled for the spring of 1999. It is the group's intent to develop Crisis Management and Emergency Response Plans for each of the SAU Schools.

Likewise, the entire Administrative Team of the School District is undergoing extensive training regarding staff supervision and evaluation. Teachers and other interested parties will be invited to join this training at the appropriate time.

The SAU continues to make efforts to prepare our students technologically as they enter the 21<sup>st</sup> Century. This is an immense endeavor and one that generates lots of dialogue and conversation. The voters of the Exeter Region Cooperative School District approved the first year of a three-year plan to equip the students and staff of the schools with technologies that will enhance staff instruction and student learning. Technology coordinators throughout the SAU continue to meet on a bi-monthly basis to offer assistance and expertise to ensure consistency with all technology initiatives in all SAU Schools.

The funding of quality education is an expensive proposition for all citizens of New Hampshire. However, there is arguably no legacy that communities can offer that is more important to it's future than a quality education for all of the children. The SAU Schools need community involvement and support in order to meet the challenges of the next century. Please stay or get involved with your schools today.

Respectfully submitted,



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Stratham Memorial School  
Regular Education Report  
January 29, 1999

This year began without our sixth grade students who entered the new Cooperative Middle School in September. We are pleased to introduce our new staff members and their teaching assignments: Debbie Fennessy (K), Maggie Fredette (5), Judy Ward (2), Mindy Zych (5) and our technology coordinator, Andrew Fishbein. We also regret the departure of our principal of two years, Karen Soule, who became the new superintendent of SAU #68 in January.


Curriculum changes have begun not only in Stratham but in the SAU as well. Dr. Fred Wolff was hired as the curriculum coordinator for SAU #16. The science committee has completed the rough draft for the new science curriculum, K-12, and the math committee has begun to review the math curriculum. At SMS, Everyday Mathematics has been introduced at all grade levels. This program either meets or exceeds the state frameworks. Picturing Writing is also another new program that provides students the opportunity to develop and enhance their writing skills with the usage of an art medium.

The computer lab continues to be upgraded with new computers and printers. The laser disc is also being utilized to provide interactive learning for all grade levels in a variety of subjects. Mr. Fishbein has reconstructed the lab to better accommodate a central learning space for large group instruction.

In conjunction with the PTO and the STA, we were able to sponsor enriching activities such as nationally acclaimed storyteller Len Cabral, Contra Dance Instructor Chrissy Fowler with accompanying musical group Two Fiddles, and Genevieve Aichele & Peter Motson from the New Hampshire Theatre Project who produced Fabulous Faerie Tales.

Through the efforts of many volunteers Stratham Memorial School has once again been recognized as a Blue Ribbon School. Many hours, well over 6,000, have been spent by the community assisting in classrooms, activities, and after school programs. Through their efforts, students attain many benefits. Special thanks to Donna Maskwa and Caren Gallagher, our volunteer co-ordinators, for taking on this monumental task.

As always, we are fortunate to have such a supportive community, a dedicated and caring staff, parents who value education, and students with an eagerness to learn. Our doors are open, and we extend an invitation to the Stratham community to visit as we prepare our youth for the twenty-first century.

Respectfully Submitted,  
  
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### **Stratham Memorial School Special Education Report**

This year has been a time of change for special education services at Stratham Memorial School. Carmen Young, former Special Education Director, left Stratham in early March, 1998 to accept a position in the Oyster River School District. Replacing her are Meg Driscoll and Mary Ellen Palmer, who are job sharing the position of Director of Special Services. They bring to the position several years of experience at S. M. S. with students in preschool through grade six. As the Co-Directors of Special Services; Meg and Mary Ellen have accepted the additional responsibility of overseeing the program for ESL (English as a Second Language) students.

Special Education Services at Stratham Memorial School have been provided in accordance with the special education law known as Individuals with Disabilities Education Act (IDEA) for children ages 3 - 21. **Special Education** consists of "specially designed instruction . . . to meet the unique needs of a child with a disability" as well as **related services** and **supplementary aids and services** needed for a child to benefit from special education. There have been some recent changes in the federal law effective 7/1/98 which mandate parent participation in meetings as well as teacher input when evaluating and placing a child in the regular education setting. Stratham Memorial School has always stressed the importance of allowing input from all team members and continues to do so in compliance with the new regulations. Another change is a shift in the Individual Education Plan format to ensure each child's access to the general education curriculum. I.E.P. goals and objectives are becoming integrated across skill areas and are being designed to promote involvement and progress in the school's curriculum. We are anticipating a revised version of the N.H. Standards for the Education of Students with Disabilities which will outline the revisions in our current state guidelines as a result of the 1997 amendments to IDEA.

This year we have begun to work on a review of our resources and materials to assist us in coordinating program development with the regular education curriculum. We are also working on increasing training to both teachers and paraeducators to facilitate a more cohesive understanding of children with educational handicaps. In addition, there has been greater emphasis on assistive technology to enhance children's learning and classroom participation.

The strength of our program lies in trust, collaboration and open communication with families to ensure quality programs for all children at S.M.S. We look forward to encouraging whole school approaches and team work as we strive to meet the learning needs of all children.

*Margaret E. Driscoll*

*Mary Ellen Palmer*

TABLE 1  
STRATHAM PUPILS  
TOTAL ENROLLMENT JANUARY 1, 1999

	<u>Pre</u>	<u>K</u>	<u>1</u>	<u>2</u>	<u>3</u>	<u>4</u>	<u>5</u>	<u>Total</u>
Memorial K-5	19	83	114	95	107	105	108	631
1998 K-5 Comparison	17	98	102	98	102	101	100	617

TABLE II  
STRATHAM MEMORIAL SCHOOL PERFECT ATTENDANCE  
FOR 1997-1998

Nicole Benevento	Benjamin Long
Ryan Bitomske	Erin McAneney
Emily Boyd	Danielle Olean
Christopher Carbonneau	Kimberly Parisey
Nicholas Delcambre	Nicolle Reed
Andrea Dionne	Kirstin Rickarby
Jordan Dunkerley	Bridget Sears
Ashley Goodridge	Ellen Sears
Kevin Hiera	Benjamin Singleton
Jason Hsu	Skyler Stern
Zachary Joosten	Joshua Tymann
Matthew Kramer	Benjamin Ward
Megan Kramer	



**SAU #16 CALENDAR  
1999 – 2000**

**SEPTEMBER**

<u>30</u>	<u>31</u>	1	2	3
6	7	8	9	10
13	14	15	16	17
20	21	22	23	24
27	28	29	30	

**30th & 31st – Teacher Inservice**

**6th – Labor Day – No School**

**21 Student Days**

**OCTOBER**

				1
4	5	6	7	8
11	12	13	14	15
18	19	20	21	22
25	26	27	28	29

**21 Student Days**

**NOVEMBER**

1	2	3	4	5
8	9	10	<u>11</u>	12
15	16	17	18	19
22	23	<u>24</u>	<u>25</u>	<u>26</u>
29	30			

**11th Veteran's Day – No School**

**24th, 25th & 26th Thanksgiving Holiday**

**18 Student Days**

**DECEMBER**

		1	2	3
6	7	8	9	10
13	14	15	16	17
20	21	22*	23	<u>24</u>
<u>27</u>	<u>28</u>	<u>29</u>	<u>30</u>	<u>31</u>

**22nd – ½ Day of School**

**23rd – Christmas Recess**

**16 Student days**

**JANUARY**

3	4	5	6	7
10	11	12	13	<u>14</u>
17	18	19	20	21
24	25	26	27	28

**14th – Teacher Inservice**

**19 Student Days**

**FEBRUARY**

	1	2	3	4
7	8	9	10	11
14	15	16	17	18
21	22	23	24	25
<u>28</u>	<u>29</u>			

**28th & 29th – School Vacation**

**19 Student Days**

**MARCH**

		<u>1</u>	<u>2</u>	<u>3</u>
6	7	8	9	10
13	14	15	16	<u>17</u>
20	21	22	23	24
27	28	29	30	31

**1st, 2nd & 3rd – Winter Vacation**

**17th – SAU Inservice Day**

**19 Student Days**

**APRIL**

3	4	5	6	7
10	11	12	13	14
17	18	19	20	21
<u>24</u>	<u>25</u>	<u>26</u>	<u>27</u>	<u>28</u>

**24th – 28th – Spring Vacation**

**15 Student Days**

**MAY**

1	2	3	4	5
8	9	10	11	12
15	16	17	18	19
22	23	24	25	26
<u>29</u>	30	31		

**29th – Memorial Day – No School**

**22 Student days**

**JUNE**

			1	2
5	6	7	8	9
12	13	<u>14</u>	15	16
19	20	21	22	23
26	27	28	29	30

**9th – High School Commencement**

**14th – Last Day for Students**

**10 Student Days**

Cancellation days due to inclement weather may be made up during April Vacation and/or Saturdays. The decision of whether to use April Vacation will be made by March 1, 2000.

## STRATHAM SCHOOL DISTRICT MEETING MINUTES

March 6, 1998

The meeting was called to order at 7:05 PM by Moderator, W. Douglas Scamman, Jr.

The Moderator recognized Brownie Troop # 707 to lead the pledge of allegiance.

The Moderator recognized Liz Gobin. Mrs. Gobin asked the audience to keep Jeff Gallagher and the Gallagher family in their thoughts and prayers during his current illness.

The Moderator noted that he does not recognize motions to lay an article on the table. He also noted that he will read only the beginning of the warrant, and then read each article as they come up for a vote.

Article 1. To see what sum of money the School District will vote to raise and appropriate for the support of schools, for payment of salaries of School District officials and agents, and for the payment of the statutory obligations of the School District.

The Moderator recognized Liz Gobin, Board chairperson. Mrs. Gobin moved to raise and appropriate \$4,774,084.00. Seconded by Mr. Bailey.

Mrs. Gobin thanked the Financial Advisory Committee for their time and work on the budget. She introduced School Board members, Stratham Memorial administrative team and the SAU 16 administrators. Mrs. Gobin then reviewed the budget, overviewing increases in a dozen lines. The overall budget increased by 2.5% over last year.

The Moderator recognized Janet Prior, chairperson of the Financial Advisory Committee. Mrs. Prior spoke to the motion and gave the Financial Advisory Committee support of the budget.

The Moderator asked if there were any questions. He then repeated the motion.

The Moderator recognized Michele Sopher who then read the following motion to amend the budget: "The In-School Enrichment Committee wishes to amend the Stratham Memorial School budget by \$18,000 for the purpose of hiring an Enrichment Consultant to work with our committee during the 1998-1999 school year. This will increase the total budget from \$4,774,084 to \$4,792,084. Janet Johnson seconded the motion.

Mrs. Sopher explained the purpose of the committee, the program, and the consultant. The motion would increase the contractual instruction budget.

The Moderator recognized Janet Johnson. Mrs. Johnson spoke on the history of enrichment in the school and the purpose of the consultant.

The Moderator read the motion to amend the contractual instruction budget by \$18,000 to hire an enrichment consultant. He then asked for any further discussion.

Marty Wool asked how the after school enrichment program defers from the in-school enrichment program, and why didn't the school board add the \$18,000 into the budget initially.

Mrs. Sopher noted that the after school program is run by volunteers for children signing up for programs while the in-school program would be an academic program for the whole school.

Mr. Bailey spoke to the question to the Board. He noted that the committee was not in a position to bring their request to the Board during the budget process. He also noted that while he did have some questions regarding the program, he supported the request.

Board Member, Barbara Loh, said that she was on the committee and noted that it was a goal brought forward previously by the Board to meet the needs of all children.

Board Member, Bob O'Sullivan asked how children will benefit from the program.

Mrs. Sopher explained the many ways all children will gain within the program as well as benefits it will bring in the classroom.

Mr. O'Sullivan encourages the work the committee is doing, but wants to be certain that the almost \$5 million already being spent in the budget is being used.

The Moderator read the motion to amend the Stratham Memorial School budget by \$18,000 for the purpose of hiring an Enrichment Consultant to work with our committee during the 1998-1999 school year. This will increase the total budget from \$4,774,084 to \$4,792,084.

The Moderator called for a vote on the motion to amend the budget. The vote passed.



The Moderator then read the motion to see if the School District will vote to raise and appropriate \$4,792,084. The vote passed unanimously.

The Moderator then read Article 2. To hear the reports of Agents, Auditors, Committees, or Officers heretofore chosen and pass any vote relating thereto. He asked if there were any questions; there were none.

The Moderator read Article 3. To choose Agents, Auditors, and Committees in relation to any single subject embraced in this warrant. There were no questions.

The Moderator read Article 4. To transact any other business which may legally come before this meeting.

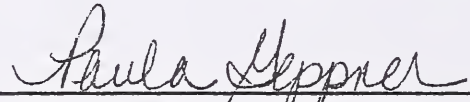
Mrs. Gobin thanked Barbara Loh for her work on the Board over the past year. Mrs. Gobin also encouraged everyone to vote on Tuesday. She noted the polls are open from 8 AM to 8 PM.

The Moderator noted the polls will be open at the Municipal Center on Tuesday for voting on town and school officials.

Mr. Wool moved to adjourn the meeting; the motion was seconded.

The Moderator adjourned the meeting at 7:35 PM.

Respectfully submitted by,

  
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Paula Geppner, School District Clerk

**SAU #16  
FY 2000 Budget**

Line	Item Description	Budget, 1997-1998	Budget, 1998-1999	Proposed, 1999 -2000
	<b>Central Administration - 2.5 pos.</b>	\$ 186,500.00	\$ 195,750.00	\$ 203,000.00
4	Superintendent	\$ 83,000.00	\$ 87,000.00	
5	Asst. Superintendent (1.0)	\$ 69,000.00	\$ 72,500.00	
6	Asst. Superintendent (0.5)	\$ 34,500.00	\$ 36,250.00	
7	Human Resources Man. (0.5)	\$ 34,500.00	\$ 36,250.00	\$ 37,700.00
8	Curriculum Coordinator	0	\$ 50,000.00	\$ 56,160.00
9	Secretaries Salaries (3.0)	\$ 67,527.00	\$ 69,984.00	\$ 80,200.00
10	Supplemental Salaries (Subs)	\$ 1,000.00	\$ 1,000.00	\$ 1,000.00
11	Treasurer + SAU Minutes	\$ 1,500.00	\$ 1,500.00	\$ 1,500.00
11	Fiscal Services Manager (9%)	\$ 3,800.00	\$ 3,736.00	\$ 3,885.00
11	Payroll Clerk (9%)	\$ 2,275.00	\$ 2,355.00	\$ 2,449.00
16	School Care	\$ 31,590.00	\$ 34,920.00	\$ 39,019.00
15	Dental Insurance	\$ 1,346.00	\$ 2,355.00	\$ 2,355.00
16	Life Insurance	\$ 972.00	\$ 1,437.00	\$ 1,437.00
17	Disability Insurance	\$ 1,422.00	\$ 1,500.00	\$ 1,883.00
19	Worker Compensation	\$ 3,000.00	\$ 3,000.00	\$ 3,000.00
19	Retirement (4.282%)	\$ 5,001.00	\$ 14,009.00	\$ 16,372.00
20	FICA (.0765)	\$ 9,308.00	\$ 25,305.00	\$ 29,553.00
21	Unemployment	\$ 420.00	\$ 420.00	\$ 448.00
22	Conferences	\$ 3,200.00	\$ 3,500.00	\$ 3,500.00
23	Course Reimbursement	\$ 2,000.00	\$ 2,000.00	\$ 1,500.00
24	Staff Training	\$ 500.00	\$ 3,000.00	\$ 6,000.00
25	Audit Expenses	\$ 4,000.00	\$ 4,000.00	\$ 4,000.00
26	Legal Expenses	\$ 4,000.00	\$ 4,000.00	\$ 4,000.00
27	Rent	\$ 22,602.00	\$ 23,500.00	\$ 27,500.00
28	Errors and Omissions	\$ 11,000.00	\$ 11,000.00	\$ 11,000.00
29	Telephone	\$ 6,750.00	\$ 8,150.00	\$ 11,000.00
30	Travel	\$ 4,860.00	\$ 7,200.00	\$ 8,200.00
31	Supplies	\$ 15,000.00	\$ 15,500.00	\$ 15,700.00
32	Postage Meter	\$ 8,000.00	\$ 8,000.00	\$ 9,000.00
33	Equipment	\$ 4,000.00	\$ 4,000.00	\$ 4,400.00
34	Dues & Subscriptions	\$ 6,000.00	\$ 6,250.00	\$ 6,250.00
35	Contingency	\$ 1,500.00	\$ 1,500.00	\$ 1,500.00
36	Custodial (Contract. Ser)	\$ 2,500.00	\$ 2,700.00	\$ 2,700.00
37	Repair & Maintenance	\$ 8,000.00	\$ 8,000.00	\$ 8,000.00
38	Property Insurance	\$ 1,750.00	\$ 1,750.00	\$ 1,750.00
39	Disability			\$ 992.00
40	Network Administrator			\$ 61,000.00
41	Secretary (salary & benefits)			\$ 28,000.00
42				
43	<b>SAU Admin &amp; Supplies</b>	\$ 455,633.00	\$ 555,821.00	\$ 695,953.00
44				
45	<b>Fiscal Services Budget</b>			
46	Fiscal Services Manager	\$ 32,487.00	\$ 33,625.00	\$ 34,970.00
47	Payroll Clerk	\$ 20,475.00	\$ 21,192.00	\$ 22,040.00
48	Payroll Services	\$ 1,500.00	\$ 1,500.00	\$ 3,000.00
49	Payroll Supplies	\$ 1,500.00	\$ 1,500.00	\$ 1,500.00
50	School Care (90%)	\$ 10,008.00	\$ 10,508.00	\$ 11,750.00
51	Dental Insurance (90%)	\$ 391.00	\$ 411.00	\$ 540.00
52	Life Insurance	\$ 108.00	\$ 406.00	\$ 112.00
53	Disability Insurance	\$ 300.00	\$ 315.00	\$ 315.00
54	Workers Comp.	\$ 425.00	\$ 446.00	\$ 481.00
55	Retirement	\$ 2,177.00	\$ 2,347.00	\$ 2,420.00
56	FICA	\$ 4,052.00	\$ 4,194.00	\$ 4,361.00
57	Unemployment	\$ 100.00	\$ 100.00	\$ 112.00
58	Conferences	\$ 100.00	\$ 200.00	\$ 200.00
59	Insurance Bond	\$ 200.00	\$ 200.00	\$ 200.00
60	Telephone	\$ 1,500.00	\$ 1,500.00	\$ 2,000.00
61	Repair & Maintenance	\$ 2,500.00	\$ 2,500.00	\$ 2,500.00
62	Longevity & Disability			\$ 2,393.00
	<b>Fiscal Services Budget</b>	\$ 75,323.00	\$ 78,146.00	\$ 88,894.00

# Central Administration Budget

Town	1998 Equalized Val.	Valuation Percentage	# Pupils ADM97	Pupil %	Combined Percentage	FY2000 District Share
Brentwood	\$ 68,756,881.00	4.35%	192.4	4.32%	4.33%	\$ 30,166.68
E.Kingston	\$ 50,361,079.00	3.19%	143.9	3.23%	3.21%	\$ 22,328.13
Exeter	\$ 307,653,233.00	19.46%	993.5	22.30%	20.88%	\$ 145,339.41
Kensington	\$ 50,064,413.00	3.17%	129.9	2.92%	3.04%	\$ 21,169.21
Newfields	\$ 49,336,551.00	3.12%	105.6	2.37%	2.75%	\$ 19,110.78
Stratham	\$ 224,386,551.00	14.20%	540	12.12%	13.16%	\$ 91,582.57
Co-Op	\$ 830,008,874.00	52.5%	2349.4	52.74%	52.63%	\$ 366,256.21
Districts Costs 1998-1999	\$ 1,580,567,582.00	100.00%	4454.7	100.00%	100.00%	\$ 695,953.00

## Fiscal Services Administration Budget

Town	1998 Equalized Val.	Valuation Percentage	# Pupils ADM97	Pupil %	Combined Percentage	FY2000 District Share
Brentwood	\$ 68,756,881.00	15.52%	185.4	16.78%	16.15%	\$ 14,357.42
E.Kingston	\$ 50,361,079.00	11.37%	134.9	12.21%	11.79%	\$ 10,480.05
Kensington	\$ 50,064,413.00	11.30%	128.5	11.63%	11.47%	\$ 10,192.85
Newfields	\$ 49,336,551.00	11.14%	94.9	8.59%	9.86%	\$ 8,768.30
Stratham	\$ 224,386,551.00	50.66%	561.3	50.80%	50.73%	\$ 45,095.38
Totals	\$ 442,905,475.00	100.00%	1105	100.00%	100.00%	\$ 88,894.00

## Fiscal Administration Budget

\$ 695,953.00  
\$ 88,894.00













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